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1903 Saturday, 2 p.m.				
5th Dec.	ORIENTAL	5284	AUSTRALIA	6901
12th ,,	PERSIA	7951	.....	.....
19th ,,	PENINSULAR ...	5294	BRITANNIA	6375
26th ,,	MONGOLIA	8900	.....	.....
1904.				
2nd Jan.	ORIENTAL	5281	CHINA	7912
9th ,,	CALEDONIA	7558	.....	.....
16th ,,	PENINSULAR	5294	VICTORIA	6382
23rd ,,	EGYPT	7912	.....	.....
30th ,,	ORIENTAL	5284	HIMALAYA	6898
6th Feb.	MARMORA	10500	.....	.....
13th ,,	PENINSULAR ...	5294	INDIA	7911
20th ,,	ARABIA	7903	.....	.....
27th ,,	ORIENTAL	5284	MOLDAVIA	9777
5th Mar.	PERSIA	7951	.....	.....
12th ,,	PENINSULAR	5294	ARCADIA	6603
19th ,,	MACEDONIA	10500	.....	.....
26th ,,	ORIENTAL	5284	AUSTRALIA	6901
2nd Apl.	CALEDONIA	7558	.....	.....
9th ,,	PENINSULAR	5294	OCEANA	6910
16th ,,	EGYPT	7912	.....	.....
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30th ,,	ARABIA	7903	.....	.....
7th May	PENINSULAR	5294	CHINA	7912
14th ,,	MOLDAVIA	9777	.....	.....
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28th ,,	PERSIA	7951	.....	.....

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MARIA VALERIE	P. Berberovich	4,235	14th Feb. 1904

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A.	PROME	5000	F. McKay	12th Jan.
A.	CITY of ATHENS	5000	J. Wilson	31st Feb.
B.	MERTON HALL	6700	C. Prowse	10th Feb.
A.	CITY of BOMBAY	5000	F. Snow	4th Mar.
A.	CITY of OXFORD	6993	A. Findlay	10th Mar.
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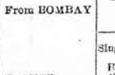

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A. C. W. FOSBERY,
Engineer.
Engineer's Office, Ballard Road, Bombay, 24th November, 1903.

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Bombay, 2nd December, 1903.

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A. MUIRHEAD,
General Traffic Manager.
Bombay, the 1st December, 1903.

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.

TESTAMENTARY AND INTESTATE JURISDICTION.

EDWARD VII, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas, King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India.

Petition for Probate of the last Will and Testament of BAI KESAR, widow of SHA PREMCHAND JIVAN, late of Bombay Bania Jain by Inhabitant, deceased.

DAMODAR KHIMJI, of Bombay Bhatia Hindu, residing at Borah Bazar, and DEWKARAN NURSEY, also of Bombay Bania Hindu Inhabitant, residing at Borah Bazar, two of the executors named in the said Will .....Petitioners.

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L. N. BANAJI,
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Dec.-Jan.	Jan.-Feb.	Feb.-Mar.	Mar.-Apl.
6'25 −2	6'22 −2	6'20 −3	6'19 −1
Apl-May 6'17 −3	May-June 6'16 −2	June-July, 6'15 −2	
	July-Aug. 6'13 −2		

In New York—

Receipts at the Port	48,000
Do. last year	57,000
Exports to Great Britain	24,000
Do. do Continent	9,000
Mid-Uplands	12'45 + 50
Futures, month of Dec.	12'32 + 72
Do. do. March	12'33 + 72

In New Orleans—

Spot	11 1-4 + 3-4
Futures, month of March	12, 83 + 91
Do. do, June	12'27 + 91
Tone at close	Strong.

Arrivals of Cotton, Wheat and Seeds into Bombay, during the 24 hours ending at 6 p.m., on Thursday, 3rd December, 1903:—

Cotton	8,374 bales.
Wheat	11,725 cwts.
Linseed	1,940 "
Rape, Rai and Mustard seeds	3,221 "
Gingelly seed	23,103 "
Poppyseed	312 "
Groundnuts	315 "
Castorseed	1,753 "
Rice	27,181 "
Myrabollams	6,756 "
Cutmeseed	6,955 "

BOMBAY, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 4.

COTTON.

HOME MARKETS.—During the past week there has been the greatest excitement in the Home Markets. It apparently became known that the Agricultural Bureau Report of the crop would give a lower estimate than was anticipated, and the New York Market began a rapid advance. Reuter has told us by wire of the wild speculation on Tuesday last, but this must have been nothing to the intense excitement which prevailed yesterday when the Bureau Report was made public New Orleans has been even more affected than New York, as while the latter advanced 1-2 cent in spot and 72 points in Futures yesterday, the former showed a rise of 3-4 cent in spot and 91 points in Futures! Such startling developments have not been known for many years, and the wisest man would pause before hazarding any opinion as to the future of Cotton.

The Bureau Report referred to above estimates the crop at 9,962,039 bales.

The following is our usual comparison of the New York Market:—

IN NEW YORK—

	25th Nov.	3rd D c.	
Mid-Uplands	11 30	12 45	+1 15
Futures, month of Dec.	11 03	12 32	+1 29
" March	11 16	12 53	+1 37

LOCAL MARKET.—In sympathy with the advance in the Governing markets prices here for forward delivery have increased considerably, and are to-day from Rs. 15 to Rs 20 higher than last week's values. The upward movement has not, however, brought out much business as continental spinners do not seem inclined to share in the New York excitement as yet. The bulk of business for forward delivery by exporters during the past week has been in Broach and Muthia with an occasional enquiry for Oomras, Scinde-Punjab, and Bengals. Sellers are not inclined to operate to any extent even should buyers come forward, as they have sold largely at low rates, and the market continues against them.

For Ready Cotton there has been a good enquiry throughout the week both from mills and shippers, and a fair business is reported. Arrivals are still on a small scale, and nice lots are quickly disposed of. The quality of the Oomras and Khandeish at present arriving is satisfactory, but Bengals as a rule are less so. Prices are from Rs. 10 to Rs. 12 higher than last week. Ready Khangaum has been taken at Rs 255 and Khandeish at Rs. 220 to Rs. 232 according to quality. Bhusawal-Khandwa descriptions find buyers at Rs. 230 to Rs. 240, and Dhamangaum, Poolgaum has changed hands at 1 s. 257. For M. G. Bengals Rs 220 to Rs. 231 has been paid.

LIVERPOOL OPENING TELEGRAM.

Tone				strong.
Estimated sales				6,000 bales
Imports				41,000 "
Dec.-Jan.	Jan.-Feb.	Feb.-Mar.	Mar.-April.	
6'64 +39	6'60 +38	6'59 +40	6'58 +39	
April May.	May-June.	June-July.	July.-Aug.	
6'58 +41	6'56 +40	6'55 +40	6'54 +41	

The following is the official quotations of the Bombay Cotton Trade Association, Limited:—

	Fine	F.-G	Gd.	Delivery.
Bengal (fi.-g.) (Ky. terms)	223	206	...	25 Jan.
Bengals (M.-G.) (Ky. terms)	225	215	...	"
Sind-Punjab (M.-G.)	225	215	...	"
Belati (M.-G.) description	247	239	...	"
Khandeish (M.-G.)	...	229	...	"
Jalgaon do.	...	23	...	"
Akola do.	...	...	...	"
Khamgaum do. fair staple	249	241	...	"
Karanja do.	...	...	...	"
Khandwa ...	248	240	...	"
Damangaum Poolgaum (M.-G.)	251	243	...	"
Nagpur (M.-G.) ...	254	245	...	"
Oomras (M.-G.) good staple	255	247	...	"
Broach (M.-G.) ...	271	...	259	25 Mar.
Do. do. ...	269	...	...	25 April.
Bhownugger (M.-G.) ...	251	241	...	25 May.
Do. (fi.-G.) ...	248	238	...	"
Mathia (M.-G.) ...	237	226	...	25 Mar.
S.-O. Dharwar ...	...	...	250	25 May
Westerns... ...	...	...	240	"

SEEDS.

LINSEED.—The market opened quiet but ready at Rs. 6, but during the week has given way one anna, and there were free sellers at Rs. 5-15. At the close the market is quiet but steady and we quote Rs. 5-14.

RAPESEED.—Throughout the week the market has been steady at previous quotations but the enquiry has been limited. The following are closing quotations with a steadier market:—

Brown Cawnpore	Rs. 5-8	per cwt.
Yellow "	" 5-15	"
" Guzerat	" 5-5	"

POPPYSEED.—During the week the market has fluctuated somewhat, and at one time the rate quoted was Rs. 6 5-6. The demand is, however, limited, and we quote at the close Rs. 6-5.

CASTORSEED.—The market has been quiet but steady during the interval with a small business doing at Rs. 21-8 for Madras, at which rate the market closes quiet but steady.

GINGELLYSEED.—The market opened quiet at last week's quotations, but a better enquiry having sprung up, rates advanced 8 annas to Re. 1 and the closing prices are as under:—

Howree Khandeish	Rs. 33-8	per candy.
15 per cent mixed	" 33-0	"
25 " "	" 32-0	"
50 " "	" 31-0	"
Black Kutnee	" 26 8	" D. J.

WHEAT.

The market has been quiet during the week, and prices are somewhat easier for White Delhi and Hard Red. The business passing is small. We quote:—

Pissi, 91 per cent	Rs. 3 1-0 per candy.
Club, No. 1	" 3-0 "
Hard Red	" 2 8-8 "
White Delhi	" 3 4-4 per cwt.

FREIGHTS.

The market has been fairly steady during the past week, and a considerable business was done. For December, Hull has been done at 13s. 3d. to 13s. 6d. Antwerp, Dunkirk, Havre, at from 13s. to 13s. 6d., and a large line was booked for Hamburg, ready, at 12s. 6d. and end of December at 13s. For forward months, January, February, 13s. 3d. to 13s. 6d; March, April, May, 13s. 6d. to 13s. 9d.

LINERS.—The Rubattino Co. has booked for forward months at 14s. 6d. seeds, 15s. wheat, 15s. 6d. cotton. Austrian Lloyds for December did 14s 6d. and for forward months at 13s. 6d. intermediate steamers and 14s. for mail steamers sailing on the 1st of every month.

The following charter is reported this week:—

S. S. "Kurdistan" at 14s, 6d, December loading, for Manchester, full cargo of wheat.

EXCHANGE.

The market has been firm since last mail day, and Bank Demand at Is. 4 1-8d. for January and February has been available on most days without attracting much attention. For nearer delivery the rate is Is. 4 3-32d. to Is. 4 1-16d. The enquiry for remittances is, however, most limited, except at prices and for such deliveries as do not suit Banks. Bills are scarce, but a few are placed daily for all deliveries up to May and June. Generally speaking Banks and Merchants cannot be brought together. Each is trying to tire the other out, and apparently each can afford to wait. This condition of things must end, but we are not wise enough to-day to decide which will win in the end or when the change will come.

Councils sold well as usual at previous rates. Produce is coming in slowly and money is abundant

MONEY.

The mail of the 20th November brings £220,000 silver and £60,000 gold, and the following Council Bills:—

Calcutta	Rs.	57,00,000
Bombay	"	27,00,000
Madras	"	6,00,000
	Rs.	60,00,000

The mail of the 27th November brings £200,000 silver and £70,000 gold, and the following Council Bills:—

Calcutta	Rs.	31,20,000
Bombay	"	23,20,000
Madras	"	5,50,000
	Rs	60,00,000

The mail of the 4th December brings £220,000 silver and £50,000 gold, and the following Council Bills:—

Calcutta	Rs.	28,20,000
Bombay	"	24,00,000
Madras	"	10,70,000
	Rs.	63,50,000

At the weekly bidding for Council Bills on Wednesday last the 60 lakhs offered were allotted at Is. 4 1-32d. and the minimum rate received 14 per cent. No Telegraphic Transfers were given. During the week extras to the amount of 3'50 lakhs were allotted to Madras at Is 4 1-16d. The total amount sold during the week was 63'50 lakhs and the amount to be allotted next week remains at 60 lakhs.

The following is the weekly statement of the Bank of Bombay for the week ending 28th ultimo as compared with that of the 21st:—

LIABILITIES. Rs.

Public Deposits	...	1,21,664 Increase.
Other Deposits	...	7,23,044 Decrease.
Securities	...	57,901 Increase.

ASSETS.

Government Securities	...	2,03,500 Decrease.
Other Authorized Securities	...	90 605 Increase.
Credits on Securities	...	2,90,500 Decrease.
Loans	...	2,42,100 Increase.
Bills discounted & purchased	...	14,80,717 Increase.
Balance with other Banks	...	3,54,008 Increase.
Sundries	...	74 Increase.
Cash	...	22,35,557 Decrease.

The Bank of Bengal Weekly Cash Balance is 47 lakhs up, and the Bank rate remains at 3 per cent per annum.

The Bank of Madras Weekly Cash Balance is 3-4 lakhs down and the Bank rate is unaltered at 4 per cent per annum

The Bank of Bombay rate is unchanged at 3 per cent per annum.

GOVERNMENT PAPER.

The Monthly Rupee Paper settlement went off without any difficulty on the 1st instant. There was a considerable surplus to finance, but money being plentiful the Banks helped the market freely. Over and above this there was a considerable amount, estimated at Rs 80 lacs or more, "budleed" to next settlement, that is operators bought ready and sold forward at a defference of about 3-8 per cent, against them. Whether this will pay in the end is uncertain, but those who are committed for a fall have had one point registered in their favor during the week, in that the Presidency Banks balances have been reduced by about 2-4 of a crore. Money, however, keeps coming in freely, and it is doubtful if that factor will militate in favour of the bears just yet In the course of the week paper has fluctuated between 98 3-8 and 98 for the 5th January settlement, the lowest point being touched on Wednesday evening. Rates have since reacted until we close this evening with cash buyers at 98 5-16 and for settlement at 98 3-16. Port Trust and other similar 4 per cent. Debentures have only been dealt in to a small extent, and prices are practically unchanged.

	Repayable.	Rate.
4 per cent Bombay Port Trust	... 1923	103
4 per cent " "	... 1950	104
4 per cent " "	... 1932	104
4 per cent Bombay Municipal	... 1924	103 3-4
4 per cent " "	... 1943	103 3-4
5 per cent " "	... Terms	119 1-2
5 per cent " "	... Sanitary	117 1-2
4 per cent Bo. Improvt Trust	... 1959	101
4 per cent "	... 1964	102

PIECEGOODS.

THE MARKET.—There has been a fair enquiry during the week for goods generally, and prices have gone up by 1 to 2 annas in GREYS and 1-2 to 1 anna in WHITES. Forward business is difficult to book owing to higher quotations from Manchester in sympathy with the rise in cotton. Manufacturers are getting more independent, and are delaying deliveries owing to their inability to get their yarns. Dealers here are anxious to have their goods as early as possible and seem disappointed by the treatment they receive from Lancashire manufacturers.

BULLION.

The Silver market has been rather unsettled during the week, the tendency being all through towards lower rates. The range of quotations has locally been between 68 1-4 and 67 1-4 for the first settlement, and for the second settlement business has been done as loss as 66 1-8. Quotations for Bar Gold have not changed since last week.

PRICES OF BULLION.

	Rs. a. p.
English Bar Gold	24 0 0
Australian Bar Gold	24 0 0
Bombay do	24 0 0
English Shield Sovereigns	15 0 0
Do. Dragons	14 15 0
Silver ex-duty Ready	67 4 0
Do. 1st settlement	67 4 0
Do. 2nd do	66 2 0

YARNS.

Our Yarn market keeps very firm, but with only a limited business passing between Dealers and Shippers. Mills cannot afford to sell at present prices, owing to the enormous advances demanded for cotton. Many mills are going on short-time working only 3 or 4 days per week.

METALS.

During the past week a good business has been done in COPPER and YELLOW METAL and prices have declined somewhat. IRON and STEEL are quiet, and there is very little doing. SPELTER is also quiet QUICKSILVER is declining with little doing.

COALS.

The Market continues quiet. Small sales of Disbargur (Bengal) are reported at Rs. 11-12 and of Newcastle coal at Rs. 10-12; also Topesi at Rs 9-4.

SHARES.

The market is weak, and mill shares especially are drooping owing to the high price of cotton. Bank of Bombay shares are reported to have changed hands at and about Rs. 1,295. Commercials are unchanged at Rs. 50. In miscellaneous list Badham Piles are steady at Rs. 156. Bombay Burmahs are reported to have changed hands at Rs. 6,950 and quarter shares are unchanged at Rs. 1,775. Bombay Flours have changed hands at Rs. 925. Kemps are steady at Rs. 246 and Treachers at Rs. 580. Fort Canning and Land Improvement shares are in demand at Rs. 4 2 1-2. Bombay Telephones are unchanged and quiet at Rs 24. Marcks have changed hands at Rs. 142. In mill shares Central Indias have declined to Rs. 580, Swadeshis to Rs. 820, Curimbhais to Rs 620, and Chinas to Rs. 545, Colaba Land and Mill shares are weak at Rs. 380, Davids are quiet at Rs. 225, Standards at Rs. 335, Kohinoors at Rs. 345, and Lakhmidas at Rs. 415. Jamsheds are weak at Rs. 90, Queen Mill shares are quiet at Rs. 525, Framji Petits have declined to Rs. 610, Hindoostan to Rs. 350, and Indian Manufacturing to Rs 345, Morarjis are weak at Rs. 6,625, Solapurs at Rs. 1,800. Sassoon Spinning shares at Rs. 740. In railway companies Taptis are unchanged at Rs. 420 and Ahmedabad Prantej at Rs. 5 0 and Ahmedabad Dholkha have changed hands at par. In Press shares New Indians are unchanged at Rs. 150, New Berars are quiet at Rs. 525, Mofussils at Rs. 5'5, Harvey and Sabapathy at Rs. 630, The rest of the companies are quiet and unchanged at previous quotations.

EXCHANGE—Tone steadier

Bank T.T.	Is. 4 1-32 d.
Bank Demand	Is. 4 1-16d.
Credit Bills 4 Months' sight	D. A. Is. 4 9-32d.
do 6 do	do Is. 4 7-16d.
French Francs 8 do	do ... 170 3-4
Marks 3 do	do ... 138 3-4
Hongkong 30 Days' Sight	... 127
Shanghai 30 do	do ... 177 1-2
Japan 30 do	do ... 150

GOVERNMENT PAPER—3 1-2 per cent. Tone, steady.

Cash	... 98 5
1st Settlement	... 98 3

Money Market. Tone easy.

BANK RATE—

Bank of England since	3rd Sept.	4	per cent
Bank of Bombay do.	20th Aug.	3	do.
Bank of Bengal do.	23rd Aug.	3	do.
Bank of Madras do.	23rd July	4	do.

SEEDS— Rs. a. p.

Linseed Tone quiet.			
Ready	5	15	0
Rapeseed.—Tone steady.			
Brown Cawnpore, Ready	5	8	0
Yellow Cawnpore, Ready	5	15	0
Yellow Guzerat, Ready	5	15	0
Poppyseed.—Tone quiet.			
Ready	6	5	0
Castorseed—Tone quiet.			
Ready	21	8	0
Gingellyseed.—Tone steady.			
Howree Khandeish	33	8	0
15 per cent. Mixed	32	0	0
25 per cent. "	32	0	0
50 per cent. "	31	0	0
Black Kutnee	27	0	0
WHEAT—Tone quiet.			
91 per cent. Pissi	Rs.	3	1
Club No 1	"	3	0
Hard Red	"	2	8

COTTON STATISTICS.

	Bales.
Receipts for the week	41,337
Receipts from 1st Oct. to 20th December	138,151
Shipments for the week, to Europe	12,400
Do. China, Japan, and Coast Ports	16,426
Total	28,826
Shipments from 1st October to 20th Dec. Europe	28,543
Japan	1,912
China	55,543
Coast Ports	2,477
Total	89,475
Afloat in Harbour for Europe	3,325
China, Japan and Coast Ports	19,413
Week's Receipts of Cotton, Wheat and Seed.	
Cotton	41,337 bales
Wheat	188,722 cwts.
Linseed	22,900 "
Rape, Rai and Mustard Seed	17,812 "
Gingellyseed	133 474 "
Poppyseed	6,111 "
Groundnuts	1,841 "
Castorseed	22,139 "
Rice	102,432 "
Myrabollams	21,193 "
Cutch seed	51,997 "

Telegraphic message from Hongkong reports the following:—

Fortnightly sales	... 1,500 Bales.
Unsold stock estimated at	... 35,000 "
Market generally dol. 1-2 higher.	
Exchange, Quotation, Rs. 130.	

ROYAL BOMBAY YACHT CLUB.

The following races will sail to-day:—

TOMTIT CLASS RACE—3-5 p. m.

Names of Boats.	Entered by
Tomtit	Dr Gibson
Meg	Mr C H Byrne
Chuna	J J Welch

Course:—From Committee Vessel round South Karanja Buoy leaving it to starboard and back to the Committee Vessel—Course No. 2—6·6 miles

A CLASS HANDICAP RACE.

Names of Boats	Time Allowances M. S.	Entered by	Start at H. M. S.
Forella	Scratch	Mr C T R Scovell	3 00 00
Sapphire	3 30	Capt Muler, R.E. and Mr R H Hopkins	2 55 30
Stella	5 0	Col Boyd, I.M.S.	2 55 00
Nanta	15 30	Mr G B Adamson	2 44 30
Isca	17 30	E Faulkner	2 42 30

Course:—From Committee Vessel round South Karanja Buoy, round North Karanja Buoy and thence to Committee Vessel, leaving all marks to Port—Course No 5—8·8 miles Reserved.

B CLASS HANDICAP RACE—3-20 p. m.

Names of Boats.	Time Allowances. M. S.	Entered by
Mannikin	1 30	Officers R A
Pixie	Scratch	Mr E R Smetham
Trade	Scratch	Mr R G Monteath
Sayanara	9 54	Major Curtis R A M C
Dolrisia	15 12	Mr J B MacFadyen
Jandita	Scratch	Officers R E

Course—From Committee Vessel round South Karanja

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SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

THE steamer Vauxhall, Bridge, 2178 tons, Captain W J Reeder sailed yesterday for Calcutta in ballast.

THE steamer Highlander, 1394 tons, Captain W Dawson, will sail to-day for Karachi, in ballast.

THE P and O Co's steamer Mazagon, 2279 tons, Captain W H S Hall, will sail to-day for Yokohama etc, with a general cargo.

THE Japan Steamship Co's steamer Kagoshima Maru, 2751 tons, Captain K Kori, sailed yesterday for Yokohama etc, with a general cargo.

THE B I S N Co's steamer Maros, 1451 tons, Captain C A Adams, arrived in harbour on Thursday evening from Calcutta, 23rd Nov, with a cargo of coal.

THE B I S N Co's steamer Ula, 3426 tons, Captain J Stone, arrived in harbour to-day from Rangoon, 18th Nov with a general cargo and 2 deck passengers.

THE Florio Rubattino S N Co's steamer Ischia, 3784 tons Captain D Maganani, arrived in harbour to-day from Hongkong, 14th Nov, with a general cargo and 16 deck passengers.

THE steamer Westminister Bridge, 2208 tons, Captain H Chivers, arrived in harbour yesterday from Calcutta 24th November, with a cargo of coal. The vessel is consigned to Messrs W and A Graham and Co.

THE B I S N Co's steamer Kola, 497 tons, Captain H McDiarmid, arrived in harbour to-day from the Persian Gulf ports, with a general cargo and the following passengers:—Mr A Jaibel, Mr Von Rooijorook, Mr A Shalam, Mr A Masson, Capt Eusof, Mrs Chapman and 50 deck.

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Do No 102.. ....
Do No 103.. ....

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B Dido .....3127 Pickering...Hull via Karachi...9-12 F M&Co
H Sultan .....1751 Feus.....Zanzibar.....8-12 A Strandes
K Meteor.....2346 Veellnike...Genoa ...10-12 W&A G&Co
M Bookdna.....2144 Cunningham ...Calcutta...7-12 M M & Co
P Queen Louise ...2170 Heno....Rotterdam ...14-12 K N & Co
Q Duke of Norfolk...243. Anderson...Hamburg..9-12 MM&Co
Along side
P Puri ..... 237 Raffin.....Goa.....N F..H Ahmed

HARBOUR WALL.

Sabarmati.... 524 Ahmed.....Mangalore ...6-12 Shep'd & Co
Ponani ..... 552 Mahmed.....Bhowsagar...5-12 Do
Indravati .... 513 Mahomed...Karachi .....5-12 Do

VICTORIA DOCK.

Shed. Vessel. Ton. Capt. Destination. Date. Agents.
1 Worcester .....2214 Evan .....London.....12-12 T M & Co
2 Scindia.....3253 Autrey...Liverpool...5-12 W&A G & Co
3 Kagosima Maru ...2731. Kori...Japan.....4-12 N Y Kaisha
5 Mazagon .....2250 Inall.....Japan.....8-12 P & O Co
8 Vindhya.....2653 Blue.....F Muir & Co
10&11 Vienna .....3126 Stone .....M M & Co
12 Persia .....4198 Wheler....London ....12-12 P & O Co
14 Diwark .....759 Nielson....Karachi ....5-12 M M & Co
15 Djibouti.....2720 Prunl.....tiavre .....7-12 K N & Co

MERREWEATHER DRY DOCK.

Sydney.....2977 Blanc .....Colombo....8-12 M Mauritimes

ARRIVALS

Dec.	Vessel.	Commander.	From
3	Maros	Adams	Calcutta, Nov 23
4	Ula s	Stone	Rangoon, Nov 18
	Ischia s	Magnazine ...	Hongkong, Nov 14
	Kola s	McDiarmid...	Basrah, Nov 25
	Westminster Bridge s	Chivers.....	Calcutta, Nov 24

DEPARTURES.

Dec.	Vessel.	Commander.	Destination.
4	Do t s	Gjmere	Bangkok
	Argen eira	Wilkins	Hamburg, &c
	Nagashimaki Maru	Kori	Yokohama, &c
	Vauxhall Bridge s	Reeder.....	Calcutta

The following vessels obtained their port-clearances yesterday:—
Steamer Mazagon, Hall, for Yokohama, &c
" Highlander, Dawson, for Karachi

The following vessels entered for loading yesterday:—
Steamer Telena, for Batoum
" Orissa, for Calcutta, &c

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

LONDON, Dec. 4.
The City Line s. s. MacArthur arrived at London this afternoon.

DAILY EXPORTS.—DECEMBER 4.

FOR LIVERPOOL.
Scindia s—9 bales wool W and A Graham and Co; 101 bales cotton Gaddum and Co; 50 bales cotton Glasebrook Tejpal and Co; 200 cwts fenneleed Bauer and Krause; 40 bales wool D Nagjee.
FOR LONDON.
Persia s—1556 bales hides and Skins H M Abba; 312 cwts cottonseed Waghjee Beshor.
FOR HULL.
Dido s—14000 cwts cottonseed Volkart Brothers; 3285 cwts cottonseed and 1200 cwts castorseed Ralli Brothers.
Zoroaster s—1145 cwts cottonseed G Bhimjee; 1750 cwts cottonseed V Velji.
Vienna s—3150 cwts Wheat Ralli Brothers.
FOR MANCHESTER.
Scindia s—10 bales twist The Ovaldeni Mills.
FOR MARSEILLES.
Scindia s—2200 cwts teaseed Ralli Brothers; 1 case silk piecegoods David Sassoon and Co.
FOR DUNKIRK.
Djibouti s—2000 cwts wh at N Sumarjee and Co; 783 cwts poppyseed and 2935 cwts linseed E D Sassoon and Co; 2.00 cwts wheat N Sumarjee and Co.
FOR HAVRE.
Djibouti s—100 bales cotton Prier de Soane and Co,
FOR GENOA
Meteor s—50 bales cotton and 104 cwts linseed A Blaegbeck and Co; 20 bales cotton Ralli Brothers
FOR MOJI.
Pekin s—400 bales cotton Tee Mistui B Kaisha.
FOR KOBE.
Pekin s—200 bales cotton M M Nasabhoy; 1000 bales cotton C Strahim and Co; 100 bales Madraswalla Sons and Co; 1400 bales cotton The Mitsui B Kaisha; 1200 bales cotton Sassoon J David and Co.
FOR HONGKONG.
Mazagon s—92 bales twist E D Sassoon and Co; 4 cwts ivory K N Mamed; 120 cwts oilbannum A Jooma and Co; 3 pots perfumed oil E A Mochaia.
Pekin s—139 cwts shark fins P F Valad.
FOR SHANGHAI.
Mazagon s—300 bales twist Tata and Co; 252 bales twist Sassoon J David and Co; 52 bales twist E D Sassoon and Co.

DIVINE SERVICE.

2ND SUNDAY IN ADVENT DECEMBER 6.

ST. THOMAS' CATHEDRAL.

6-30 a.m.—Holy Communion.
7-00 a.m.—Matins.
8 a.m.—Holy Communion—Choral—Merbecke.
Hymns—323, 312, and 543.
5 p.m.—Children's Service.
6 p.m.—Evensong and Sermon.—By Rev. H. Gundry.
Hymns—34, 36 and 42.
Collections for—C. H. Schools.
Daily Matins at 6-45 a.m. and Evensong at 5 p.m.
Daily Holy Communion at 7-15 a.m.

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH, MALABAR HILL.

7-30 a.m.—Matins.
8 a.m.—Holy Communion.
6 p.m.—Evensong and Sermon.

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST, COLABA.
(Afghan Memorial Church.)

8 a.m.—H. W. N. Celebration of the Holy Communion.
Hymns—320, and 167.
11 a.m.—Parade Service.
5 p.m.—Sunday School.
6 p.m.—Evensong, Choral and Sermon.
Hymns—193, 50 and 505.
Offertories during the day for Church Expenses.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, MAZAGON.

6 a.m.—Holy Eucharist.
7 a.m.—Holy Eucharist (Choral). Preacher Rev. Father Langmore.
10 a.m.—Children's Service.
10-15 a.m.—Matins.
6 p.m.—Evensong (Choral). Preacher Rev. Father Bisco.
Alms for Church Expenses.

WESLEYAN CHURCH,
(Colaba Causeway.)

8 a.m.—Parade Service. Preacher Rev C. Ryder-Smith, B. A.
6 p.m.—Evening Service. Preacher Rev. C. Ryder-Smith, B. A.
4-30 p.m.—Sunday School.
9-30 to 9-30 p.m.—Social Hour.
(Wesleyan Church, Victoria Gardens, Byculla.)
9-30 a.m.—Preacher.—Rev. Edward Gearey.
6 p.m.—Preacher—Rev Edward Gearey.
4-30 p.m.—Sunday School.

CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN, PAREL.
(Madras Time.)

8 a.m.—Celebration of the Holy Eucharist.
8-30 a.m.—Matins.
Hymns—5, 50 and 217.
5-30 p.m.—Sunday school.
6-30 p.m.—Evensong and Sermon.
Hymns—17, 49 and 208.

CHURCH OF ST. STEPHEN, BANDRA.

11 a.m.—Matins, Sermon and Celebration of the Holy Eucharist.
Hymns—50, 51 and 260.

ST. NICHOLAS' SEAMEN'S CHURCH,
Opposite the Main Gate of Prince's Dock.
Patronal Festival.

8 a.m.—Holy Eucharist with Procession and Sermon.
6-30 p.m.—Solemn Evensong. Preacher at both Services, The Rev. A. A. Maoning.

MISSION CHURCH, GIRGAUM.

8 a.m.—Morning Prayer, Holy Communion and Sermon.
6 p.m.—Evening Prayer, and Sermon, Subject. The King's Coming. Is. xl 10.
Offertories for the Church Expenses and poor.

THE UNITED FREE CHURCH OF SCOTLAND,
(Waudby Road.)

11 a.m.—Joint Service—(St Andrew's Church.) Minister, Rev. A. S. Crichton, M. A.
6 p.m.—Rev. A. S Crichton, M. A.
Hymns—1, 119, 619 and 115.
Psalm—119

BAPTIST CHURCH.
(Bellasis Road, opposite Byculla Club.)

8 a.m. Morning Service.
9 p.m.—Sunday School.
6 p.m.—Evening Service.

CHRIST CHURCH, BYCULLA,

8 a.m.—Holy Communion (Choral).
Hymns—401, 51, 322, 193 and 512.
11 a.m.—Matins and Instruction.
4-15 p.m.—Sunday School.
6 p.m.—Evensong and Sermon by the Rev. Father Langmore, S S J E.
Hymns—360, 52 and 362.

BOWEN MEMORIAL METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH,
(Apollo Bunder.)

9-45 a.m.—Sunday School and Bible Classes.
11 a.m.—Divine Service.
6 p.m.—Divine Service. Preacher Rev L E Linsell.
All Seats free and Strangers cordially invited.

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH.

7-30 a.m.—Matins.
8 a.m.—Holy Communion,
Hymns—53, 311 part (1) and 315.
5 p.m.—Children's Service.
6 p.m.—Evensong and Sermon
Hymns—40, 225, 177 and 53.

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The Bombay Gazette
SATURDAY, DEC. 5, 1903.

GAINSBOROUGH.

WHILE picture galleries on the Continen attract an ever growing stream of eager admirers, from England as well as from every other part of the world that is awake to the influence of Art, many people forget that English painters are entitled to as high rank as any Rembrandt or Van Dyck. The artist who raised himself to the pinnacle of fame in his own country from a humble position in the not specially picturesque county of Suffolk, Gainsborough, owed nothing to training in a foreign school. His style was his own, as original as it was perfect; even in his lifetime the charm and the consummate power he possessed was generously recognised. The judgment of his contemporaries has been confirmed by subsequent generations, and time has dimmed nothing of the glory of his pictures or the lustre of his fame. In the catalogue of the Empire's great men British painters occupy a prominent place, and they are now being grouped together in "The British Artists' Series" (Messrs. George Bell and Sons), where Thomas Gainsborough and his work are described by Lord Ronald Sutherland Gower, whose appreciation of the true and the beautiful in painting eminently qualify him for the task. We must not expect to find a detailed account of the painter's life, as materials for an elaborate biography do not exist; no diary or even a register of the pictures he painted is extant. His days were full of work, but no record was kept such as would now help enormously in sifting out his pictures from those of his very successful imitators. Lord Ronald Gower has gleaned little from a pamphlet by Philip Thicknesse, written in 1788, the year of the painter's death, but more from the work by the Fulchers, father and son, who gathered all they could of the facts concerning the painter in his native town, Sudbury, where Thomas Gainsborough was born in 1727. Though Suffolk is a flat and uninteresting county to those who look for varied and marked outline, Gainsborough who was born with an artist's eye is said to have declared that it made him an artist, and he transferred much of its scenery to his canvas in youth and age. He does not seem to have owed his special talent to heredity; his father was a worthy manufacturer of woollen goods, mostly shrouds, not an art-inspiring trade; his mother painted flowers well, and perhaps from that accomplishment sprang the gift that developed so remarkably in the son. A brother of Gainsborough's, Humphrey, an engineer, is credited with the invention of the steam-engine, and his friends believed that Watt had the idea from him. Humphrey was certainly an inventive genius. A nephew, Gainsborough Dupont, became his uncle's pupil and developed a fine artistic talent painting in the same style. At the Sudbury Grammar School the young painter sketched while he let others work at his exercises for him; he even went so far as to mimic his father's handwriting in the legend addressed to his uncle and school-master "Give Tom a holiday." The leisure thus secured was spent sketching in the Sudbury woods. His father, discovering the escapade, foretold in sadness that Tom would one day be hanged, a prophecy that, as his biographer remarks, was verified over and over again.

Gainsborough's parents, seeing his talents and his desires were bent in the same direction, wisely decided that Art should be his calling, and he was sent to study under a London engraver. He was later confided as a pupil to Hayman, not the best teacher either of drawing or of life, though he was subsequently one of the first members of the Royal Academy and its Librarian. After three years' study in London—and more dissipation under his tutor's guidance than was good for him and which he afterwards deplored—he returned to Sudbury and devoted himself enthusiastically to landscape painting, from dawn to dark. When he was nineteen he married, his wife being a year younger, and they lived a long and happy life together. Gainsborough had his experiences of ill-success with his landscapes, and though he by no means abandoned them he quickly turned his brush to portraits, and at Ipswich, to which town he migrated soon after his marriage, he painted busily, there forming the style which distinguishes his work, "vigorous, original, and full of character." When he was about thirty-one he moved on to Bath where he very soon had more sitters than he could paint. He was supposed to have said that he would be obliged to place cannon at his door to keep the crowd away. His first exhibited portrait in the society that later became the Royal Academy was that of Mr. Robert Craggs Nugent; it attracted much notice and was seen by Reynolds. From this time Gainsborough's brush was occupied in painting some of the most remarkable men and women of the day. He has left over three hundred portraits, not as great a number as Reynolds, but among these are statesmen, actors, actresses, beauties, generals, queens, and princes, all persons who left their mark in history. Thomas Coke, Earl of Leicester, Quin, Garrick, Mrs. Siddons, the Duchess of Devonshire, several times over, Foote, General Wolfe, Queen Charlotte, Mrs. Sheridan and her sister, William Pitt, Mrs. Graham, whose picture was bricked up by her husband distracted with grief at her death, and when unearthed fifty years later it was as fresh as on the day it was painted, the Blue Boy, George the Third's three daughters. It was over the hanging of this picture that occurred the quarrel with the Royal Academy. Gainsborough wrote "if the Royal Family he has sent for the Exhibition (being smaller than three-quarters) are hung above the line along with full-lengths, he never more whilst he breathes will send another picture to the Exhibition. This he swears by God." The Academy sent him back his princesses with the other pictures he had sent for exhibiti n. He and the Academy were never reconciled, nor did he send a picture there again. There are many portraits by his hand of the "Fair Maid of Bath"—afterwards Mrs Sheridan—whose beauty was equalled by her singing. At one of Handel's Oratorios at Covent Garden Horace Walpole declared that George the Third "ogled her as much as he dare do in so holy a place as an oratorio." Gainsborough's studio became the stage for much of the social life of Bath during the ten years he lived there. All the lights of literature, the drama, and the political world assembled in it at one time or another, either as sitters or to view the artists new works; his love for music which was almost as inveterate as his passion for painting brought musicians round him. Jackson said that "there were times when music seemed to be Gainsborough's employment and painting his diversion." When her husband and her son-in-law were busy, one with his viol di gamba, and the other with his flageolet, Mrs. Gainsborough used to say that "a gang of robbers might have stripped the house and set it on fire to boot, and the gentlemen been none the wiser." When Gainsborough left Bath, it was to move with all his triumphs thick on him to London where he spent another period of fourteen years fruitful in work and credit.

The painter's diligence and delight in his work were remarkable. He began to paint between nine and ten every morning, and continued at his easel until two or three in the afternoon, the rest of the day was given to music, visiting, and domestic sociability generally. Gainsborough must have possessed the artistic temperament in a remarkable degree, yet the picture of his daily life shows that he was singularly free from the foibles that ordinary folk attribute to, and too often discover in, the possessors of a genius for art. He sat of evenings by his wife's side either listening to music or being read to while he worked away at sketches of landscapes or figures and tried the effect of chalk in various colours. A sketch finished, it was flung under the table, and he began on another, eventually preserving the best, and later evolving from them his landscapes in oils. He was "easily pleased and seldom bored, a delightful temperament for himself and those around him, a most lovable character, a man to be envied and admired," as his biographer says. The great painter had a foreboding that his end was near before any attack of illness rendered it probable. He was then nearly sixty-one. Dining one day with Sheridan who was in his wittiest, merriest mood, Gainsborough expressed his belief that he should die soon and asked Sheridan to promise to follow him to the grave. The promise was cheerfully given, the listener treating it as a joke. A couple of months later, Gainsborough, present at the trial of Warren Hastings in Westminster Hall, felt a sudden pain and chill. It was the first warning of cancer, and the summer of that year, 1788, saw him pass away. When he felt his last moments near, he wrote to ask Sir Joshua Reynolds to visit him—a facsimile of this unique letter is reproduced in this book—thus putting an end to a coldness which had for no assignable reason arisen between the painters almost as soon as they had been acquainted. He expressed regret at leaving his art, but the cheerfulness of the happy-minded Gainsborough was manifested in his saying "We are all going to Heaven and Vandyke is of the Company." Gainsborough's pictures of English scenery reproduced the verdure and the freshness of nature, while he delighted in bathing the scenes in sunshine. He used to go out with two canvases and spend the length of a glorious summer day in the country painting all the forenoon on one canvas, and transferring the afternoon lights to another. While singularly faithful to nature, he avoided her angry moods and waited for her bright and sunny hours. It was this love of the picturesque that gave the cunning to his brush in depicting colours, all shades, from the deepest to the lightest, harmonise richly and give a warmth and a life to his portraits rare in other painters. The selection of nearly a hundred of Gainsborough's pictures for illustration has been very happily made for this volume, and enables the reader to judge of the painter's style and of the height he attained in the art of which he was so single-hearted a devotee.

THE WOUNDED OF CAVALRY.

THE current number of the Journal of the United Service Institution contains an important paper by Lieutenant Colonel H G. Hathaway, R. A. M. C., upon the disposal of the wounded and the sick of mounted corps. The problem is one which has not been successfully solved hitherto. Ample provision on the one hand for the wounded has meant the diminution or hampering of the fighting force, and in dealing with this subject it is always necessary, as Colonel Hathaway points out, to commence with the assumption that in actual warfare, and particularly in the case of cavalry, the care of the wounded is subordinate to the progress of the battle. The utility of a mounted force depends upon its mobility. Its value becomes nil if by reason of constant checks it cannot move forward. The matter then resolves itself into two alternatives; either the wounded must be left uncared for and untended—in the case of such a country as India possibly at the mercy of a savage enemy—or the fighting value of the force be diminished in direct ratio to the amount of care expended upon those who have fallen. That is how the matter stands at present, and it needs little experience to agree emphatically with the writer of the paper alluded to, that this state of things is hardly to be tolerated. Lieutenant-Colonel Hathaway has evidently expended a good deal of thought upon the matter, and he has recently described before the Commander-in-Chief a scheme which should effectually solve the problem. The chief necessity in the case of the wounded of a mounted force is to get them quickly away to the base where they can be dealt with by the hospital. The matter is fairly simple in the case of those slightly wounded or too hurt to go forward in the ranks of the fighting force, but at the same time not incapable. To meet the requirements of such cases as this, Lieutenant-Colonel Hathaway has invented a description of saddle crutch, light and easily adjusted, which will go behind the wounded soldier, and whilst keeping him firmly in the saddle, will relieve the tension of his body and render his march back to the hospital more comfortable. The inventor points out that this arrangement could also be used in the case of men temporarily sick but whose ailments were not sufficiently serious to demand hospital treatment. For the benefit of those placed hors-de-combat he has designed a vehicle which should answer the purpose admirably. It is capable of carrying ten men in a sitting posture, four men in a recumbent attitude, and two sitting or two upon stretches and six sitting. He suggests that the orderlies for this vehicle could be recruited in India from British, Eurasian or native sources, and that the men should be trained to ride so that they might use the horses of the wounded men when returning to hospital with a full load. Thus the full accommodation of the vehicle could be given up to the wounded. It is impossible, of course, to give a detailed description of the invention without the aid of diagrams, but Colonel Hathaway's description is sufficient to show that if put into practical use, it will be an important and very desirable addition to the ambulance equipment of our mounted forces.

JEWELLERY AND MAGIC.

BEFORE the Anthropological Section of the British Association recently Professor W. Ridgeway read a very interesting paper on the origin of jewellery, and he sets forth the proposition that precious stones and similar ornaments were not worn in the first instance for merely decorative purposes, but because they were supposed to possess magical qualities, and to guard the wearer from evil. The Professor points out that all people's value, for magical purposes, small stones of peculiar form or colour long before they can wear them as ornaments. He instances in this connection the Australians and tribes of New Guinea who use crystals for rain making, although they do not know how to bore them in such a fashion as to enable them to be worn as ornaments. The sorcerers of Africa use pebbles as amulets, and even in Greece and Egypt crystals were used for the same purpose. In the first instance, Professor Ridgeway has discovered, people used as jewellery, if such a term could be given to these primitive ornaments the joints of coniferae, and substances which they could perforate without trouble such as amber, the seeds of plants, shells, the teeth and claws of animals, and pieces of bone and wood. It was not until the world had advanced very considerably that its inhabitant learned to bore hard stones and gems. Shells are worn even now as amulets by uncivilized peoples, and seeds of plants are everywhere given magical properties. The Indian ascetics use them for rosaries. In many savage countries too, the Professor points out, the claws and teeth of animals are supposed to have supernatural characteristics. Thus, all over Africa the claws of lions are used as amulets, and they are regarded with so much reverence that even to possess an imitation is supposed to be a lucky thing. Magnetic iron puzzled the ancients very much. On account of its peculiar properties it was imagined that a living spirit existed in it, and it was regarded with a veneration almost amounting to worship. The professor believes that the uses of all the objects now employed as jewellery were primarily because they were believed to possess magical properties. Of course some of these superstitious still exist. The cat's eye, moon-stone, amethyst and opal, besides many other gems, are all given strange powers which work for good or evil and even in this enlightened day there are people who would refuse the gift of a jewel for which they had an aversion on superstitious grounds. It is interesting, however, to note that these every day superstitions are of extreme antiquity.

PROSPECTING IN SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

AUSTRALIA is still a new country even from the point of view of the prospector. There are lots of discoveries yet to be made, and much work to be done before the whole of the available pastoral land is brought under the surveillance of the stock-farmer, and the metalliferous country under the command of the miner. The unexplored tracts of outh Australia appear to promise great things for the prospector. There the native and his gin still live in blissful ignorance of the influences of civilization, and the British Government is as yet hardly a name. Much money has been wasted in the past on fruitless exploration in the north-west of the State of South Australia, and more than one expedition has come to grief owing to the savagery of the natives. In the early part of the present year an expedition equipped by the Government left Adelaide to explore this unknown tract with a view to locating profitable pastoral land and metalliferous reefs. They have recently returned and described their experiences, and their story is sufficient to show that up in the wilds of the new land abundant scope for the stock-farmer and profit for the miner await those who care to undertake the life. Around the neighbourhood of Stevenson's Peak and Lake Amadeus, two points in the extreme north-west of the State are promising reefs from which the prospectors imagine that gold will be extracted in the future. Immense tracts of desert which would be suitable for stock were also found, and water in abundance was discovered although the expedition was undertaken in the dry season. But, perhaps, the most interesting feature of the prospectors' report was their description of the black men of Australia. In the wilds of South Australia they still live and flourish. On many occasions it seems their attitude has been very threatening towards exploring parties. In the case of this expedition, however, no trouble was experienced. Like all uncivilized peoples they are highly delighted with such trifling presents as knives, beads, chisels and the like, and this was sufficient to propitiate them when they were encountered by the prospecting party. It seems strange that natives of a British colony should still remain who are surprised at the use of firearms, but the black men of South Australia are still unacquainted with that weapon. The party covered over 3,000 miles, and did a lot of useful work. The result of the expedition is another indication of the vast possibilities and resources of the Australian Commonwealth.

COLONELS Younghusband and Macdonald, with the Headquarters of the Tibet Mission, have left Darjeeling for Sikkim, preparatory to moving into the Chumbi Valley.

THE Annual Competition for the Amateur Golf Championship of India will take place at Calcutta on the 24th, 25th and 26th December.

THE "Temps" says that Britain, if she seriously interferes in Tibet, must reckon on dealing with Russia and China.

THE P. and O. pays. 6½ per cent. on Deferred Stock, also 3 per cent. bonus.

THE All India Hockey Tournament will take place at Allahabad on the 18th January next. The Royal Irish Rifles have held the cup for two years already, and a third victory this year would make the cup their property. In the circumstances it is hoped that more teams that usual will be induced to compete, in order to give the holders a good contest for the trophy.

H. E. THE VICEROY will hold a Darbar at Pasni on board H. M's Cruiser Argonaut to-morrow the 6th instant. The Honble the Agent Governor-General, Quetta, accompanied by the following staff and Major Showers, Political Agent, Kalat, will attend the Darbar:—Captain Gough, First Assistant; Rai Sahib Diwan Ganpat Rai C. I. E.; Mr. Gul Khan, Personal Native Assistant; Kazi Abdulla Jan; The Jam of Lasbela; Sirdar Sir Ghous Baksh, Raisani, K. C. I. E.; Sirdar Sir Nauroz Khan, Naushirawani, K. C. I. E., Mir Mihrulla Khan, Nazim of Mekran, and nearly 100 other Mekran Sardars will be present. The Honble Colonel Yate and party left Quetta for Karachi on Tuesday and embark for Pasni on board the Indian Government Telegraph Steamer Patrick Stewart, Major Showers, who left Quetta on 17th October last, has been marching down via Kharan, Panjghur and Kej and was expected to reach Pasni about the beginning of December, accompanied by the various Chiefs and Sirdars. On the conclusion of the Darbar, Colonal Yate returns to Nasirabad, for a tour in the new Nasirabad Tehsil, on his way to Sibi.

IT seems to be the general opinion among polo players that there has been no really first-rate British team in India of late, such as would have had a chance for the Inter-Regimental Tournament in a "hot" year, as for instance when the Durham Light Infantry or the 7th Hussars were at their best. A new light, however, has appeared on the horizon, which promises to grow very bright. The Seaforth Highlanders, stationed at Nusseerabad arrived in India last February with a reputation made in Egypt, where they had won the Cairo Tournament after having to meet the 11th Hussars in the finals; and they have just had a chance of showing that in spite of their comparatively short time in the country they are formidable in any company. During the recent Mhow week a couple of matches were arranged between them and the 10th Hussars, a team which gave a good account of themselves at the last Inter-Regimental Tournament. The result seems to have been a revelation to the spectators, for the Hussars were outplayed at all points of the game and beaten in the first match by 8 goals to one, and in the second by 4 goals and 4 subsidiaries to two goals and 1 sub

TELEGRAMS.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

THE THIBET EXPEDITION.

Reasons for Action.

A CHECK TO RUSSIA.

LONDON, DECEMBER 3.

The "Times," commenting on the Chumbi expedition, says that when a great public servant with Lord Curzon's record judges it necessary to take action on the Indian frontier it is probable that he knows more of the matter than irresponsible commentators at home.

The expedition has not been taken a day too soon, and whatever happens to them the Thibetans have to thank twelve years of defiance of treaty obligations and persistent incursions into British territory and, finally, insult to the Indian Government.

The "National Zeitung" publishes a telegram from St. Petersburg which says that Buddhistic action in Thibet has been initiated in the nick of time to prevent the proclamation of a Russian Protectorate.

Russian statecraft, it adds, has not suffered so serious a reverse since 1878.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, DECEMBER 4.

LUCKNOW, December 4.—The London Correspondent of the "Indian Daily Telegraph" cables :—

The peace party is making a vigorous protest against the Thibetan move. There is a general outcry for fuller information on the subject.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

THE GERMAN REICHSTAG.

Speech from the Throne.

BRITISH AND GERMAN TRADE.

THE FAVOURED NATION TREATMENT.

LONDON, DECEMBER 3.

The German Reichstag was opened to-day.

The Kaiser William, who invariably attends, was absent to-day, and Count von Bulow read the speech from the Throne.

The Royal speech from the Throne at the opening of the Reichstag, which in the Emperor's absence was read by Count von Buelow, mentioned the unfavourable influence of economic depression on the finances of the Empire.

A Bill guaranteeing the interest on the Railway from Dares-salaam to Mogoro will be introduced.

The speech then says that in view of the present position of affairs it is expedient to retain the present basis of trade, relations with Great Britain, and a Bill will accordingly be submitted continuing the favoured nation treatment with that country.

The speech goes on to say the relations with all Powers are friendly.

The Emperor's exchange of ideas with our allies at Rome and Vienna and with the friendly ruler of Russia has strengthened the hope of the preservation of peace from dangerous disturbance.

LONDON, DECEMBER 4.

It is explained that the Bill to be submitted to the Reichstag authorises the Federal Council to accord the most favoured nation treatment to the British Empire.

The Federal Council has hitherto availed itself of this authority for the British Empire with the exception of Canada, whose position will presumably remain unaffected.

CHILI'S NEEDLESS WARSHIPS.

Purchase by Great Britain.

LONDON, DECEMBER 3.

Great Britain has bought two Chilian battleships now under construction in England for £1,875,000 complete. Chili asked £2,200,000 last February, which Great Britain refused to give.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, DECEMBER 4.

LUCKNOW, December 4—The London Correspondent of the "Indian Daily Telegraph" wires:—The fact that the Admiralty as purchased two battleships which were being built for Chili is generally explained here as due to the wish to prevent Russia from buying them.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

JAPAN AND RUSSIA.

The Reported Agreement.

DISCREDITED AT TOKIO.

LONDON, DECEMBER 3.

Reuter wires from Tokio that the European news received of an agreement having been arrived at and the bases of the Russo-Japanese settlement is discredited there.

With reference to Count Lamsdorff's optimistic remarks at the late reception of diplomatists at St. Petersburg it is pointed out that they ill accord with Russia's continued provocative action in Manchuria and Korea.

THE ITALIAN MINISTRY.

A Vote of Confidence.

The Italian Chamber has passed a vote of confidence in the Government by 384 against 114 votes.

INDIAN OFFICIAL SECRETS BILL.

The Home Protest.

MR. BRODRICK'S REPLY.

Mr. Brodrick, replying to the letter presented to him last month signed by Sir W. Wedderburn, Mr. Dadabhoy Nowrojee, and others, protesting against the Indian Official Secrets Bill, has referred the memorialists to the statement appended to the Bill from which it appears that an amendment of the law is clearly necessary but says he has forwarded to the Government of India a copy of their letter with a request that the points raised may be carefully considered.

DELAY TO THE MAILS.

The Peninsular and Oriental steamer Osiris has arrived at Port Said to-day, having remained at Corfu for seventeen hours owing to a storm.

The P. and O. Company's s. s. Mongolia, with the outward mails of the 27th ultimo, left Suez at 1-30 a. m. on Friday, the 4th December. This is a day later than usual. The delay being due to the Osiris having encountered very stormy weather between Brindisi and Portsaid.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.

BRITISH CRUISER WRECKED.

The Flora a Total Loss.

LONDON, DECEMBER 4.

His Majesty's cruiser Flora is ashore on Denman Island, British Colombia, and will probably become a total wreck.

It is stated that the beacon could not be clearly discerned and the ship crashed on to a rocky shore, and her stern is now ten feet under water.

[The Flora is a second class twin screw protected cruiser of 4,360 tons displacement. She was launched at Pembroke on the 21st November, 1893. Her dimensions are : length 320 feet and beam 49 feet 6in. She is built of steel, sheathed and coppered. Her armament consisted of two 6in. quick-firing guns, eight 47in. quick-firers, eight 6-pounders, and one 3-pounder quick, one boat or field gun, four machine guns, and four torpedo tubes.]

GREAT COTTON GAMBLE.

Wild Excitement in New York.

SPECULATORS' MAD FIGHT.

The announcement estimating the shortage of the American cotton crop to be far below expectations has created the wildest excitement on the cotton exchange in New York. Brokers fought each other in their eagerness and prices shot up ten to twenty points.

At New Orleans fortunes were made and lost within five minutes.

THE SOMALI WAR.

Problem of Water Supply.

IMPORTANT DISCOVERY.

An expert geological reconnaissance made in Western and Southern Somaliland points to the existence of an extensive and copious artesian system at a depth varying from one hundred to a thousand feet and also a subterranean supply along the dry Wadys at a depth of thirty to a hundred feet.

TRANSVAAL AFFAIRS.

FINANCIERS AND THE GOVERNMENT.

STATEMENT BY MINES' COMMISSIONER.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

ALLAHABAD, DECEMBER 4.

A special cable from the "Pioneer's" Correspondent, dated London, the 3rd December, says that Mr Wybergh, the Transvaal Commissioner of Mines, has written to Sir Arthur Lawley that the Government is unduly influenced by the financial element, and has to a great extent lost touch with the people.

GREAT FIRE AT OTTAWA.

UNIVERSITY DESTROYED.

SEVERAL STUDENTS MISSING.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, DECEMBER 4.

A special cablegram to the "Englishman" says that the Ottawa University has been burned down and that several of the students are missing.

A BANKRUPT PROPHET.

DOWIE'S ZION CITY SEIZED.

ACTION BY OFFICIAL RECEIVERS.

A special cablegram to the "Englishman" says :—Official receivers have seized Dowie's Zion City.

CALCUTTA'S NEW SHERIFF.

Babu Nobin Behary Sircar has been appointed Sheriff of Calcutta for the ensuing year.

ACTIONS AGAINST INDIAN NEWSPAPERS.

PLAINTIFF AWARDED DAMAGES.

Mr. Justice Sale delivered a lengthy judgment at the Calcutta High Court yesterday, in the defamation suits brought by F. M. G. H. Jolly against the "Bengalee," the "Indian Mirror," and the "Bangabasi". His Lordship held that although there was no doubt plaintiff had been guilty of gross misconduct the evidence was not sufficient to convict him of theft. He, therefore, found for the plaintiff awarding him Rs. 300 as damages in the case of the "Bengalee" and Rs. 100 each as regards the "Indian Mirror" and the "Bangabasi." Plaintiff was also awarded one set of costs to be apportioned among the three defendants.

The case of Mr. Jolly against the "Amrita Bazar Patrika" for defamation was withdrawn to-day on Mr. Mutty Lall Ghose, the editor, tendering an apology.

A HYDERABAD APPEAL.

SECUNDERABAD, DECEMBER 4.

To-day, before Major Haig, Sessions Judge, Hyderabad, Mr. C. A. Battenberg, pleader, filed an appeal on behalf of Mr. G. A Fernandez, who was recently sentenced by the Cantonment Magistrate to ten months' rigorous imprisonment on charges of criminal breach of trust and cheating.

The petition stated that since the last hearing of the case before the Magistrate a letter, written by Mr. Cleary, of Messrs. Lawrence and Mayo, an important witness for the prosecution, had been found, and threw an entirely different light on the case ; also that the probabilities of the case were in favour of the defence, and that the Lower Court's finding was based on erroneous premises.

The appeal was admitted and the application for Mr. Fernandez's release on bail, pending the hearing of the appeal, will be heard on Wednesday next.

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE

Lieutenant Jackson, on admission to the Indian Army, is posted to the 1st Battalion, 3rd Gurkhas.

Captain Hughes, 14th Lancers, is appointed Inspecting Officer, Rajputana Imperial Service Cavalry.

Lieutenant Brett, 60th Punjabis, is transferred to the 2nd Battalion, 1st Gurkhas.

Lieutenant Woolcombe, 12lst Pioneers, has been detailed for duty with the 107th Pioneers in Somaliland.

FROM RS. 10,000 TO 10

To 10,000 to 800 against placing the first three in the Viceroy's Cup. CHARLES HADDUFF, Taj Mahal Hotel, Bombay.

THE VICEROY'S GULF TOUR

Arrival at Koweit.

SHEIKH MUBARAK'S CORDIAL WELCOME.

(OFFICIAL MESSAGE.)

KARACHI, DECEMBER 4.

The Viceroy reached Koweit on Saturday morning, the 28th ult. The town stands on a bare sandy spit on the southern horn of the bay. The anchorage is about two miles out and is fairly protected. The landing facilities are better than at most of the Gulf ports.

Sheikh Mubarak with his eldest son Jabir paid an official visit on the Hardinge in the afternoon. This was stated to be the first time that he has ever visited a ship. He was subsequently shown over H. M. S. Hyacinth. The Sheikh is a tall, powerful looking man of over 60 years of age. At 9 a.m. on Sunday, the 29th, the Viceroy left the Hardinge under the usual salute to see the town. He landed close to the small island of Kurein which gives the second name of Grane to the place Here the Sheikh met the Viceroy and drove with him three miles to the town escorted by some 200 Arabs on horses and others on camels. For the last mile the route was lined by thousands of the Sheikh's tribesmen, many well armed with Martinis. The scene was most picturesque, bare-headed Arabs charging at full speed with their long plaited hair floating in the wind. Some were in helmets and chain mail but most wore their national dress. A constant fusillade of ball cartridge was maintained by the mounted escort and foot-men, and the wild war cries of the tribesmen added to the effect. Near the town women wearing sombre garments with long veils occupied the higher ground and greeted the procession with shrill wails of welcome.

The Viceroy drove through the town, which is well built and looks prosperous, with a population of 20,000, to the Sheikh's house where the rest of the Sheikh's six sons were introduced and coffee was served. The party then left for the Hardinge.

In the afternoon the Sheikh paid a second visit to the Viceroy on board. His knowledge of current affairs and the condition of his Territory is great, and his intelligence is striking. The reception of the party, as indeed of all British ships and officers here, was most cordial, and British influence is clearly in the ascendant.

On Monday the Viceregal party devoted the day to amusement and exploration of the neighbourhood of Koweit. Some visited the town and bought curios in the bazaars such as Arab cloaks, belts, powder flasks, and silk kerchiefs. Others mounted on Arab ponies supplied by the Sheikh rode into the desert and saw the Bedouin encampments. The opportunity was seized by the Sheikh to obtain the best medical treatment for his youngest son, a boy often who is suffering from a constitutional ailment of some years' standing. Colonel Lukis, the Viceroy's Surgeon, carefully examined him and prescribed European medicines from the Viceregal dispensary. In the afternoon her Excellency Lady Curzon made a tour of the bay in the steam cutter of the Hardinge with some members of the staff. All who visited Koweit will carry away pleasant recollections of the place, of the personality of the Chief, and the appearance of the people; of the heartiness of their welcome, and of an interesting experience of a desert town and maritime Arab life. The town is not picturesque internally, but is substantial and for the East is clean, and the spacious well supplied Bazaars bespeak prosperity and comfort. The coloured pink and white kerchiefs which form the head dress of the bulk of the population are of English manufacture. This did not prevent the purchase of new ones by the visitors as the most characteristic souvenirs of the place. The squadron left Koweit for Bushire on Tuesday morning.

HIS EXCELLENCY AT BUSHIRE.

ADDRESS FROM BRITISH SUBJECTS.

The Viceroy and squadron arrived at Bushire on Wednesday morning. Extensive preparations had been made by the British residents and by the local authorities for the reception, but an unfortunate hitch in the arrangements ordered by the Persian Government prevented the Viceroy from landing.

On Thursday afternoon the Viceroy received a large deputation, on board the Hardinge, of the British subjects and residents in Bushire who presented an address of welcome. The address referred to the increasing stress of foreign commercial competition which might have occasioned uneasiness but for the separate commercial agreement recently concluded with Persia and for the visit of a commercial mission. The acceleration of mails recently arranged by the Indian Government was thankfully acknowledged, but attention was drawn to the want of harbour facilities, the inadequate arrangements for the landing and delivery of cargo, and the great necessity for an improvement of the caravan communication with the interior. The dilatoriness of the Persian courts was also mentioned. Lord Curzon's visit would be taken as a signal proof that his Excellency's interest in Persia remained unabated, and the mercantile community would be encouraged by it in their endeavours to maintain the precedence of British trade.

THE VICEROY'S REPLY.

BRITISH TRADE AT BUSHIRE.

The Viceroy, in reply, thanked the British deputation for their welcome, and said that though the first Indian Viceroy to visit the place, he was the logical and historical successor of Sir John Malcolm and the latest link in an unbroken sequence of officers who had safeguarded British political and commercial interests at Bushire since 1812. These interests had expanded vastly since 1763, the date at which the East India Company first opened a factory at Bushire. One ship a year was then enough to carry all the British trade, whereas in 1902 the port was visited by 138 steamers, all British. But the growth of trade during the last twenty years has been especially rapid, imports having increased from 135 lakhs, of which 117½ were British and Indian, to 2 12½ lakhs of which 152½ lakhs are British and Indian. The imports of tea from India had risen from Rs. 65,000 to close on ten lakhs. This chapter of history was without a parallel in the annals of the Gulf and was a subject for legitimate pride. Connections of close friendship and confidence with the local Governments and people had arisen and imposed obligations impossible to overlook and not likely to be ignored by any British Government. Bushire itself was the principal seat of this connection as the headquarters of the British Resident, the point of departure of caravan routes to the interior, and the capital station on the Indo-European Telegraph and the residents of the Persian Governor of the Gulf Ports, the Foreign Consuls, and the active mercantile communities trading with South Persia and Turkey. The prosperity of the place was the more remarkable as having been achieved in spite of a bad harbour and difficult communications with the interior. In fact, the progress of its trade irrefutably proved the dependence of Persia on its foreign supply for many luxuries and some necessaries. Lord Curzon believed the Persian Government could embark on no more remunerative form of expenditure than the improvement of the maritime and inland approaches to the place. During his Viceroyalty he had personally done his best to facilitate the progress of trade and to ensure adequate protection of British interests in the Gulf and the adjoining territories. The Home Government had also taken a warm interest in the matter. Among the results obtained were the Nushki-Seistan trade route which is already recognised as the principal channel of the East Persian trade, A Consul has been appointed at Seistan and the telegraph would shortly be extended there. Muscat had been connected with Jask by cable. Consuls have been appointed to Kerman, Shiraz, Behrein, and Muhammerah and Vice Consuls to Bandar Abbas and Ahwaz. The Karun trade had made substantial progress, and a road had been opened with caravanserais and bridges through the Bakhtiari country to Ispahan. The British India steamers now called at Koweit as at other Gulf ports, and a post office would be opened there. The Viceroy was glad to learn that Colonel Kemball, discharged his duties entirely to the satisfaction of the community. He also alluded to the benefit derived from the company on his tour of Sir A. Hardinge, whom he described as a most vigilant spokesman of British interests at Teheran. In conclusion, he congratulated Bushire on enjoying an unusual share of administrative attention and wished for it continuance as a centre for diffusing benign and peaceful influences throughout South Persia and the Persian Gulf.

KOWEIT AND THE EFFECTS OF THE VICEROY'S VISIT.

As regards the political effect of Lord Curzon's visit to the Persian Gulf, it is absolutely certain that the appearance of the British flotilla at Koweit and the proceedings at that once obscure port will have far reaching results. The head of the Gulf has long been the scene of Turkish intrigue, and it is not so long ago that the very existence of the Chief of Koweit was threatened by the Porte. The attempt to reach it by sea was frustrated, British gunboats suddenly appearing when local Turkish officers thought they had the game entirely in their hands. Then there were threats of a land expedition and Turkish troops were said to be preparing to march from Bassorah southwards. Even in addition to the difficulties connected with getting a force across a stretch of desert country, the Turks came to know that they would possibly find several of our warships lying off Koweit if any force ever reached there. So the net result of all the intrigue was only to raise the prestige of the Chief whose adherents came to understand that he was under British protection. Now his influence will be greatly strengthened by the Viceregal visit, and he will doubtless be left in peace by the Turkish authorities, especially as the Baghdad Railway scheme has hung fire. Koweit would probably never have been heard of in international politics that project had not been set on foot. The promoters of the railway saw clearly enough that to make Baghdad a terminus would ruin the chances of any success which the line might have in the distant future. The littoral of the Persian Gulf had to be gained, and Koweit was the only place that offered any harbour, though even there no deep water could be got near the shore. However there was no choice, and so the public heard that the terminus of the Baghdad Railway would eventually be at Koweit. This it was that led the Porte to suddenly assert its shadowy authority over the petty Chief whose troubles we have referred to, and it will be readily understood how Koweit unexpectedly sprang into notice. If ever the scheme for extending the existing line of rail in Asia Minor to the head of the Gulf comes to anything. Koweit will again figure in despatches to and from the various Foreign Offices in Europe, but that its Chief will lose the protection now given him by the British Government is an impossibility. Our interests in the Persian Gulf are of such overwhelming importance that no Party in England would think of leaving anything to chance either at Koweit or at Muhammarah further to the north—" Pioneer."

THE SUPREME LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

THE INDIAN OFFICIAL SECRETS BILL.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, DECEMBER 4.

The first meeting of the Imperial Legislative Council this session took place yesterday, the Hon. Mr. Raleigh as Senior Member present presiding. The business was largely of a formal nature with the exception of the proposal by the Hon. Mr. Arundel to refer the Indian Official Secrets Bills to a Select Committee, the motion being opposed by two out of the fourteen members present. The Hon. Mr. Gokhale quoted an opinion which characterised the measure as an attempt to Russianise the country, and after criticising the main details said that the Bill if passed would do incalculable harm. He congratulated the Government of Bengal on having pointed out that there should be a distinction between naval and military matters on the one hand and civil matters on the other, and said the only course open to him was to oppose the motion. In answer to the Hon. Major-General Sir Edmond Elles the Hon. Mr. Gokhale stated that he did not intend to oppose the Bill in its military aspect but only in its civil aspect. The Hon. Nawab Saiyid Mahomed suggested that this Bill should be dropped as no clear case had been made out and no sufficient cause shown for passing it. It was a legislation of this kind that produced irritation in the minds of the people. The motion, however, was carried.

The Madras Coast Lights Bill, the Ancient Monument Bill, and the Co-operative Credit Societies Bill were referred to Select Committees, after which the Hon. Mr. Arundel introduced a Bill to consolidate and amend the law relating to Civil Courts in the Central Provinces.

The Council meet again on the 19th instant.

THE TILAK APPEAL CASE.

HEARING FIXED FOR MONDAY.

POONA, DECEMBER 4.

Mr. Davur, the Government Pleader and Public Prosecutor at Ahmednagar, has been appointed Special Public Prosecutor for the Crown in the Tilak appeal case, as Mr. Strangman has proceeded to England. The appeal, of which a part was heard, and was adjourned on the 30th October owing to the illness of the Judge, has been fixed for hearing on Monday next.

APPEAL AGAINST A SESSIONS JUDGE DECISION.

A RETRIAL SANCTIONED.

Sitaram Shivalal Marwari, who was charged with forgery and was convicted and sentenced to two years' imprisonment and a fine of Rs. 500 on the 17th October, by the Sessions Judge, preferred an appeal in the High Court, who now set aside the conviction and sentence, and directed a retrial before a Special Judge and Jury. The appointment of the Special Judge will be made by the Government shortly. The accused in the meawhile is released on bail on the application of Mr. Samarth, the High Court pleader, urging the offence as bailable and the bail claimable as of right under Section 496, Criminal Procedure Code.

THE NEW GOVERNOR OF CEYLON.

ADDRESS BY HENRY BLAKE.

COLOMBO, DECEMBER 4.

Sir Henry Blake, in replying to the addresses on his arrival at Colombo yesterday, thanked all for giving him a welcome.

He noticed that the Island was instinct with the same far-seeing and capable activity which it had displayed during the Coffee Crisis. That activity had his entire sympathy, and he would assist in every way in his power.

He hoped when he laid down the burden of responsibility their verdict would be that he had performed his duties in a manner not unworthy of the many able British Governors of the grand old historic Island for over a hundred years.

PROFESSOR Bayliss, of University College, London, has recovered £2,000 damages from the Secretary of the Anti-Vivisectionist Society, who charged him with cruelty in operating on a dog.

WOMEN'S FURNISHINGS.

GOWNS AND MANTLES.

THE TRIMMING OF HATS.

LADIES' SMOKING JACKETS.

LONDON, NOVEMBER 13.

It is impossible to remember when gowns were as elaborate as they are at the present time. There is a curious mixture of old fashions, bearing many cases a strong resemblance to the Louis Quinze modes. Silk knotted and chenille fringe is combined with beautiful furs, and lace is used as much as ever—real lace for preference—though some of the imitations are beautiful. In the mantles of the moment the long shoulder appears to be indispensable. Sometimes it is managed by a big pelerine cape and sometimes by a long shoulder piece and sleeve in one. Except when they are accentuated to the point of absurdity, these drooping shoulders are very graceful. Some beautiful fur mantles are made with a draped capuchin of another fur and folds of lace and chiffon. A lovely Pontifical shade of violet is much used for evening wraps. These are generally lined with ermine, and have big pelerine collars of the same fur. Electric blue is worn with mink. Many white and cream cloth models are trimmed with a mixture of chenille and silk fringe of the same shade and velvet ruchings of a deeper tone. These ruchings are of early Victorian fashion. Flounces too, are much in vogue. Both velveteen and corduroy velvets —the latter in brown and deep ivory shades—will be much worn for walking and visiting costumes. The plainer the style of the corduroy gown the smarter it is. Short skirts in gored style, rather than in plaits, are best for this material when used for walking. Velveteen costumes are made with rows of stitching, bands of braid, and bias bands of cloth. Velvet gowns will be worn both for reception gowns and evening toilets. In fact, there is such a craze for velvet that it is frequently used as a lining for evening wraps in preference to either fur or satin. Grey and champagne coloured velvets are the latest. A beautiful model of grey velvet built on Princesse lines, fastened invisibly at the side of the front, at the waistline a large gold button, set with rhinestones, was worn. The collar was of heavy lace, white embroidered, with gold French knots, a line of sable binding it at the top. The sleeves were slightly full at the elbow, and drooped over a deep unlined cuff of the lace, which was embroidered and trimmed with fur to match the collar-band.

Steel grey is a little more fashionable than the lighter shades, and costumes in this colour are fashioned in both cloth and velvet. A blouse jacket with attached hip pieces is likely to be popular. Another new design has some form of decoration attached to the skirt over the hips; little bias folds of silk with buttons carry out the idea well on cloth costumes. In some cases basque pieces of cloth are attached to the skirt independent of the bodice, more often the idea is carried out with braid, strapping or stitched down pieces to match the skirt. The high girdle has made its appearance. It is, however, not becoming to many figures. Very long buckles are sold to wear with these girdless, and some of them are very artistic. Lace and tulle hats will be worn quite as much during the winter as they have been the past summer. Lace and tulle hats are often combined with velvet; and are frequently quite small. White is very pretty for house frocks if one can afford it. It is not economical, though some of the homespuns clean beautifully, and combine warmth with light effects. House gowns in pale coloured flannel, white cashmere, or some other inexpensive material are very suitable for young girls in place of the tea gowns worn by their elders. Despite the general extravagance of fashion, there never was a time when a pretty girl with a good figure could look nicer because the simple blouse bodices and fully gauged skirts can be made at home very nicely, deficiencies being covered by a deep collar, which need not necessarily cost a great deal. The same may be said of waistbands and sashes. There is a great variety of these becoming accessories to be had at a small cost.

Anything from an odd steel buckle to a wisp of chiffon or veiling four inches wide trims the hat of the moment, and trims it well. Ostrich feathers are both beautiful and popular. Shading from the deepest to the palest tints, their purples, blues, and greens are an effective note of colour on the big velvet or beaver hats the same shade as the darkest tint of the plume. Scarves of cuisine silk with frayed edges, and caught with a large steel or rhinestone buckle, complete the trimming of these hats. The brims are wired into odd shapes, and have gathered facings quite two inches from the edge. The new plumes are really really beautiful—all fluffiness and fringe. They are called snake feathers, and are said in superb purples, exquisite mauve tints, and a score of lovely colourings. The lace of all the new millinery is of the heaviest description, and the most effective webs are coarse. Ecrus cover dead-white chiffons, and combine with moleskin or gun metal grey velvet for both brim hats and turbans. Hats are certainly growing taller. Brims roll up from the face, and simple flat shapes are raised from the head with wider bands than have been used hitherto. And, sad to say, birds of all sizes are abundantly used. Especial favourites are tiny flat bodied Chinese birds, with parrotlike bills and feet of vivid yellow. The neckpieces and muffs sold with marchin hats are of great beauty. Rare fur, lace, chiffon, and chenille fringe all appear in a single set.

It is safe to predict that variety will be the keynote of the winter fashions. The return to short basques is quite pronounced, and though some of the jacket models have long basques, the shape will differ considerably from last season's. Some of the long, pointed, and plaited basques are cut at the waist by ornamental belts. One many of these coats the ceinture, directoire fashion, goes half-way across the front. Suede is a prominent note of the autumn fashions. It is extremely becoming in soft shades of grey, brown, and tan. The kilted tartan skirt is charming for country wear trimmed with plain cloth to correspond. It is generally worn with a neat coat fitting at the back and loose in front. Little fancy vests, too, worn with sack or banded boleros, are making a bid for popular approval. A plain cloth coat is transformed by them, at the same time preserving its strictly tailored aspect. The new belts are of soft kid in the most att active colours. One of the most novel is of cloth-of-gold. The buckle is of glass, and under the glass on each side is an eye of a peacock feather. The peacock-feather hatpin, reproduced in enamel, gilt, and jewels, is another dainty trifle. The novelty of the hour in footwear is an evening slipper, in the toe and front of which are round and traingular holes, through which the colour of the stocking shows. It is most popular in fine black kid with the holes outlined with beaded jet. Vivid coloured stockings will be worn with these slippers ; while black silk hose will be worn embroidered in cut steel or gold beads. Of fans there are many new varieties. In the orchid fan the curling petals are made of tiny ostrich feathers, and the others are of exquisitely shaded silk gauze. In neckwear the Rabat collars of muslin edged with lace, and the hand-embroidered canvas collar with long Rabat ends are among the novelties, while wrist ruffles of lawn. Indian muslin, or accordion-pleated net are fast coming into favour. A new china has appeared in the shops. It is called Trentham ware. The designs are reproductions of antique English china ; it is delicately tinted, while the decoration is somewhat bold. The newest fancy in ceramics is the porcelain locket set in a gold frame. It is heartshaped, and decorated with tiny roses or forget-me-nots.

The smoking jacket may now be added to the already long list of articles of male attire which women have adapted to their own requirements. It is likely to become very popular in the ladies' clubs in London. Although cut very much on the long straight lines of a man's coat, it is being made in a variety of materials, and much ornamented with gold and jewelled buttons. Some of the coats are made of quilted silk, in any colour that suits the wearer; others of flowered silk; while some of the smartest are in white corduroy velvet with rovers of pale colours. There are various other novelties in ladies' attire. Inches chosen to suit the material worn are seen with every variety of costume from the elaborate evening frock to the tailored gown. A new ruching which is easily copied is made of a strip of crape—either black or white—from one and a half to two inches in width. This is folded in half without pleating of any kind. The narrow binding, which holds the two sides together and prevents fraying, can be made of fine muslin or any similar material that is at hand. For mourning gowns black crape lisle is the most popular, but there are some pretty combinations of black and white. There are, of course, many expensive kinds. One of these is crape finished off with a narrow border of Valenciennes. It has a narrow insertion of the same lace set in about a quarter of an inch above the lower edge. Among other novelties are French hand-embroidered handkerchiefs, of the finest quality linen, with a very narrow hem. Butterflies, dragonflies, birds and flowers are used as the motife of some of the decorative borders. A beautiful new chiffon has a white surface, over which are scattered feathershaped figures carried out in pale pink chenille.

Tatting, crochet, twine lace and other forgotten favourites of our grand-mothers are now been revived for trimming. The necessaries of tatting are a bone shuttle, thread, and a crochet book. The two parts of the shuttle should just meet so that the thread in pushing through will cause a slight click. The most difficult points are the position of the hand, the holding of the shuttle, and the way in which the thread is passed round the hand. Fill the shuttle with thread, take it in the right hand between thumb and first finger, take the end of the thread with the left, and hold in position firmly with thumb and forefinger and pass the thread outward round the fingers, which should be spread, out and bring it round to the end, and hold both with finger and thumb firmly ; pass the thread over to the left, and bring the shuttle down on the right side of the thread held pretty taut by the spread fingers, carry it under the thread, and bring it up on the left side between the taut thread and the shuttle thread (which was thrown over from the finger and thumb). This will make a single knot. The fingers must be moved and worked so as to bring the knots over the shuttle thread. They must now be relaxed and the shuttle thread held taut to bring the knot into position, so that the thread round the hand shall be over the shuttle thread, and allow the latter to be drawn back and forth through the middle of the knot. This is only a single knot. Let the shuttle thread hang loose on the right side of the thread and pass the shuttle on the left under the thread, and bring up on the right ; thread, relax fingers, tighten shuttle and carefully draw up close to the other single knot. Now there is a double knot. See that the shuttle thread comes through the middle, otherwise, when all the knots are made, the thread will not draw, and it will therefore be of no use. When the shuttle is passed under the thread round the fingers, must be the fingers spread and the thread held tight round them. The moment the shuttle comes up on the other side the finger must be relaxed and the shuttle thread held tight. All the time, the circle of thread round the hand is held firm.

CYCLING AND MOTORING AT HOME.

LONDON, NOVEMBER 13.

ALTHOUGH cyclophobe is nothing like so general as in the days gone by, when wheelmen were few and the public, untrained to the natural advance of engineering skill, looked upon cyclists as intruders, still in some parts of the country it is as rife as ever. Let a wheelman by accident run into a pedestrian and in the melee inflict injuries or perhaps a fatality, and then see how cyclophobe will come to the surface; cycling in all its shape and form will be abused. Even when the tables are turned and a pedestrian rings a cyclist over, the unfortunate wheelman is alone blamed. In the name of justice we ask, is it fair when footpaths are provided for pedestrians to wander at will about the roads especially after dark without any warning to other users? A cyclist has just met his death in this way. He was riding down the incline from Cromer station when he ran into a pedestrian who had left the footpath and was walking some three feet out in the road. In the fall the wheelman received fatal injuries. We cannot help thinking that in cases like this were a pedestrian voluntary leaves the path for the road and there is no means of distinguishing him in the dark, that he should be held responsible for any damage caused through his negligence, for negligence it undoubtedly is.

Cyclists of long standing are able to observe the improvements that have taken place in the last twenty years in the condition of the highways throughout the country, but yet, although more care and attention has been bestowed upon them it cannot be said that they are perfect in every respect. Many of our main roads require widening to cope with the ever increasing motor and cycling traffic, and other possess extremely uneven surfaces the local authorities who look after these bad stretches forgetting that main roads are of national importance and require attention beyond that which is calculated to be sufficient for local requirements. One doubts whether the main roads will ever be brought to the standard of French roads until they are taken over by one central body. There is some talk of such a body, may it materialize!

The Roads Improvement Association intends shortly to ask Mr. Walter Long to receive a deputation to urge the Local Government Board to appoint a department-all committee on road administration, and failing the support of the Local Government Board it is the intention of the Association to bring the matter up before Parliament by means of a Bill brought forward by a private member. The Association is fully alive to the rapidly increasing traffic throughout the length and breadth of the country, and argue that the main or trunk roads should be under a national body and not under local administration. They propose that National roads be under the control of a special department under the Local Government Board. Country roads under composite bodies to be known as country highway boards; and District roads and minor by-ways under the direction of district councils as at present.

Motor fixtures in France, at least anything in the nature of racing or speed trials, generally provide some illstarred occurrence which tends to cast a gloom over the whole proceedings. The disastrous Paris-Madrid race is fresh in the memory of all, whilst added to this must be included mishaps of minor consequence that have occurred during the season. Now we hear the sad news of three people meeting with fatal injuries at the speed trials held at Gaillon in France. Thick fog prevented the actual trials taking place at the time advertised, but two of the competitors although unable to see twenty yards ahead, decided to try conclusions up a hill. The two were M. Brasier and M. Danjeau. M. Brasier got away first but Danjeau gradually overhauled him and was making a swerve to pass when his car skidded and overturned, he receiving fatal injuries in the fall. Soon after this accident, a car with five mechanics on board was descending the hill when the driver lost control. It dashed into a tree with great force and resulted in the death of two of the occupants and injury to the others.

The American amateur cyclists are very far in the rear in the matter of records. We were recently reading a report of the record ride of Charles Mock at Long Island, when with the aid of motor pacing he occupied 4 hrs. 25 mins. in covering 100 miles. Compare this with Dick Palmers' ride as long ago as 1868, when with only human pacing he covered the 100 mile in 3 hrs. 37 min. 57 4-5 sec. Then Leon Meredith with motor pacing only occupied 2 hrs. 58 min. 12 45 secs. when he won the 100 miles race for the Carwardine Cup last June.

The membership of the Scottish Cyclists' Union unfortunately still continues to decline, the individual membership now being 592 and the clubs affiliated 110. The decrease on the year is 220 and 22 respectively.

Many of the great railway companies are now devoting attention to be organisation of motor car services in connection with their lines. The Great Eastern Railway Co. has decided to establish a service of cars between Lowestoft and Southwold, and it may be predicted that such services will be in full operation all over the country before long especially in districts remote from the railway. It is not yet quite realised the enormous possibilities there is for passenger motor vehicles. Such a service as that in operation at Hastings shows what may be done. There a number of double-decked motor omnibuses of 16 h.p. are running with great success. These omnibuses are almost silent in running, perfectly vibrationless, and are about twice as fast as the "hay motor" buses. The latter strangely enough are owned by the same company, but it has become enlightened enough to move with the times, and adopt motor cars instead of opposing them.

A good story is going the round in automobile circles. It refers to the difference between the Irish and English way of looking at things, and in nothing is this more exemplified than in the regulation of motor traffic. The law is the same in both countries. The English "bobby," however, looks on the motor as a public nuisance and an enemy, and loses no opportunity of venting his spleen thereon; he lays traps for it, assumes disguises, and swears falsehoods as to excessive speeds. It is as well, however, to let him down lightly, or, at least, until he becomes less obtuse. Now look at the Irish policeman's attitude. Recently near Dublin a stranger got into conversation with a constable specially detailed for the purpose of regulating the traffic. Motor after motor flew past well above the legal limit, the visitor looked enquiringly at the constable, but he made not the slightest move. At last a huge monster of a motor came along in full flight at a pace of an easy sixty miles per hour. The policeman exhibited a little excitement, and watched the on-coming car with evident interest, and when it disappeared in a cloud of dust, he turned to the stranger, and cried with enthusiasm, "Bagorra, sir, that was the best wan yet!"

H. Longstaff writing to the Dunlop Tyre Co. expressing his satisfaction with the Dunlop tyres on his machine, says: "You will be pleased to hear that I have now completed nearly 7,000 miles on my machine, and your tyres are still in most excellent condition both back and front wheel."

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THE Hungarian Minister of Commerce has solemnly expressed his belief in the ultimate triumph of Mr. Chamberlain's proposals.

MURDER OF A WIFE.

CONFLICTING MEDICAL OPIN

A REMARKABLE SNAKE CURE.

A correspondent writes to the "Madras Mail":—A few mornings ago, two ladies were out for a walk, accompanied by two dogs. While going through some tall grass on the bund of the Nellurhalli tank, the dogs appeared to have started as something, which the ladies could not see, but they heard a loud hissing. Suddenly a large Russell's viper was seen to make a bound, literally a bound of some 12 or 15 feet from the bank into the water. As soon the dogs were in the water after it and a fierce fight took place between one of the dogs, a handsome black retriever, and the snake. The retriever was bitten several times by the snake, which turned on him every time he made a dash at it. But the dog managed to get hold of the back of the snake, when the other dog joined in, getting a hold between his jaws. Both dogs, evenly matched, bringing the snake triumphantly with them and they would not let it go until they had killed it. The snake was nearly 6 ft. in length. For a time neither of the dogs seemed to suffer any ill-effects. But later in the day the retriever began to bleed freely from wounds about the mouth, and underneath, at the junction with the neck his head swelled very much and he suffered greatly. The wounds were freely washed with pellets of ammonia, but the bleeding continued. The following day the ladies heard that there was a mesmerising "mantra" man in a village some seven miles from Whitefield, who was able to cure dogs or any other animals bitten by snakes. He was sent for, as the ladies were willing to do anything to save the dog's life. The man came about noon. By this time the dog's head was very much swollen and he was in a stupor and weak on his legs, particularly the foreleg. With a few wild cotton "pellets" dipped in his hand, the mantra man began to make passes over the dog's face and legs, throwing away a leaf after a few passes, until the whole were exhausted which did not take long. Immediately after this operation the dog rose and shook himself, and a little while after was running about. The cure was really remarkable as before that the dog was in a state of collapse. The man said the passes would have to be continued for nine days. He has also been giving the dog internally some kind of bark ground in milk. As the man is unable to come every day himself a gardener is sent to him. The gardener has to drink some water given him by the man and then make the passes on the dog. The dog has recovered entirely. It should be added that the mesmeriser refused to accept payment for his treatment. The man appears to be well known in these parts for his ability to cure men and animals bitten by snakes.

SIGNALLING UNDER THE SEA.

REMARKABLY SUCCESSFUL EXPERIMENTS.

MORE SAFETY FOR OCEAN TRAVELLERS.

The "Cunard Bulletin" gives details of a series of experiments with the Mundy-Gray-Millet system of signalling under the sea, which is now in use on steamships running to Boston. Sounds are caught at a distance and accurately noted. The 'Bulletin" says: Since the death of Elisha Gray, some two years ago, A. J. Mundy experimented on making use of the water as a means of transmitting sound signals, and later his work was taken up by J. B. Millet, Mr. Millet's chief object, having established the fact that the sounds could be transmitted under water, has been to obtain a method by which the direction from which the sounds proceed could be determined, which, it may be understood, was necessary in order that the invention might be of practical use. Having secured the method his next step was to test it commercially so his apparatus was installed on the Metropolitan Line steamships, and for the last five weeks these vessels have been testing it constantly in order to ascertain its accuracy under all conditions.

"The Captains of the steamships testify that they have been able to locate accurately the Boston lightship upon which a bell was being rung, when approaching at full speed at distances of three miles and upwards. The captain of one ship says that a week ago, when the seas were running high from the heavy storm, he was coming up the bay, and the lightship was obscured by rain and fog. Not hearing the fog-horn when he expected he turned to the apparatus, and putting the ear pieces to his ears, he immediately heard the signal bell and got his directions. Five minutes later, having proceeded on his course, he heard for the first time the whistle on the lightship."

The apparatus used on these ships is described as follows: "There are two receivers, one each for the port and starboard sides. These are inclosed in iron cases, which are screwed in the hull of the vessel below the water-line, inside the ship. These cases are connected by wires to the wheel-house, where the telephone box is placed. When the observer wishes to ascertain his direction he takes the ear-pieces, and by moving a switch either to the right or left soon ascertains upon which side the sound is loudest, and on that side the bell will be found. This method is so accurate that the steamers using it have often found their direction within one point, and by a little manœuvring of the vessel any captain can always get his direction with ahead degree of accuracy."

"These vibrations are indicated by the bell that is hung over from the side of the lightship or suspended in the water, at the end of a cable, from a lighthouse, or from a bell buoy operated by the waves. The bells are struck with a hammer exactly like a bell in the air, only with considerably more force. These vibrations are taken up by the receiver on board the vessel and transmitted electrically exactly the same as through the telephone. The ear-pieces are identical with those used in the telephone. The invention does not require the captain of the vessel to use delicate telephone apparatus and tables of logarithms, but simply to use two telephone ear-pieces with which to listen to the bell. In other words, the faculties that are cultivated in him are the very ones that he most uses."

The invention is looked upon as a most important one, and is spoken of in very high terms by the captains of the vessels on which these experiments have been carried out. Important developments are expected to be forthcoming as the result of the trials.

THE ARMENIAN MURDERS.

DETECTIVE'S STORY OF THE ASSASSIN.

The inquest on the two murdered Armenians, Aram Grigorian, or Krikorian, and Petros Krikorian, hitherto known as Tigran Izmirian, and the assassin, Yorgin, who committed suicide after shooting his victims on November 11, was opened at the Camberwell Coroner's Court on Monday by Mr. G. P. Wyatt. On account of a letter received by two of the Armenians, who had been cited to give evidence, threatening them with death should they appear, extraordinary precautions were taken to exclude all but authorised persons from the Court. A great number of people, however, assembled in front of the Court to watch the arrival of the witnesses.

Three Armenian witnesses arrived at the court in charge of two detectives. They travelled from Peckham to Commercial-road, and then walked to the court. They were viewed with much interest by the crowd outside.

The coroner, in addressing the jury, gave the names of the murdered men as Aram and Petros Arthorian, and described the assassin as unknown. While the coroner was engaged on three preliminary cases of sudden death the three Armenians, including M. Karapetian, who narrowly escaped the fate of his comrades and who is the principal witness, came into the court and sat in the back row, still protected by two detectives.

The first witness was an Armenian, whose name, written on a slip of paper, was handed to the Coroner. He stated that he was an engineer. He was in the company of the murdered men when the murder took place. The witness heard a shot fired, turned round, and then ran away. After going a short distance he returned and saw the assassin fall in a doorway and shoot himself. He had two revolvers which he discharged. Replying to a juror, the witness said he believed the assassin's motive was revenge.

The Coroner remarked that he did not think the witness should be pressed on the matter.

John William Jarvis who described himself as a laundryman, of Wyndham-road, Peckham Rye said he was working in the yard of No. 43 when he heard a report. He ran out and saw two men fall. As he emerged from the yard the witness collided with the murderer. He fell on his back. The witness took a revolver which the man was holding in his right hand and the assassin drew another from his left-hand pocket. The witness then ran away.

George Sowle who lives opposite the spot where the murder took place saw the assassin commit suicide. He shot himself with his left hand in the right side of the neck. The witness turned him over on his back and he opened his eyes and appeared to smile. Witness took the revolver from his hand.

Detective-Inspector Badcock of the P. Division said the murderer had been identified as an Armenian from Turkey. For some time he has resided at Middlesborough in the United States. His name was Dikran and his age about forty-three. In his pockets was a list of all trains from Euston, St. Pancras, King's-cross and Waterloo also some Armenian writing of which had been translated "The cause of all these evils." The translation then stopped The pockets also contained an envelope addressed to Mr. Yorgie Yannie, 52, Monerief-street, Peckham, where the man had lodged up to the 24th ult. The name Yannie was Greek, and evidently assumed.

The revolvers found in the man's possession were a five-chambered one, containing five discharged cartridges, and a six-chambered one containing five loaded cartridges and one discharged cartridge. The weapons were quite new, and had evidently been purchased in the States. £1 4s. 0½d. was found on the body in English money. On Nov. 1 a parcel belonging to the murderer was found at Waterloo Station, which contained a suit of clothes in a very wet state.

A juror asked if there was any record of the murderer's antecedents in foreign countries. The witness said inquiries were being made.

The jury returned a verdict to the effect that the two Armenians were wilfully murdered by the "unknown man," and that the latter committed suicide.

LUXURY FOR THE SKIN.

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DETECTIVE'S MOST EXCITING EXPERIENCE.

HOW Mr. MELVILLE WON THE LEGION OF HONOUR.

SUPERINTENDENT MELVILLE, who is retiring at the end of this month from the position of chief of the political branch of Scotland Yard after thirty-one years' service in the force, has had few more exciting experiences in his long and distinguished career than the one by which he gained the Legion of Honour of France. In common with other headquarters of criminal investigation, Scotland Yard one day received particulars of a political murder that had been committed in Paris, and a description of the man who was suspected of being the author with a request to keep a look out for his arrival in this country. The matter was at once taken in hand by Superintendent Melville personally and treated as an urgent case, for under the perfect mutual arrangement which exists between most Continental countries and England no question of nationality enters into the tracking down of a criminal. Throughout the length and breadth of the country the information was distributed to the force, and no stone was left unturned to make sure that Mueler, who was the man wanted, should not leave England a free man if he once entered it.

Acting upon information received, as the detective would put it, Superintendent Melville one afternoon detailed off men to watch every railway terminus in the Metropolis. He had heard that Munier had landed from America, come to London by a circuitous route, and was likely to leave the same night for the Continent. Mr. Melville consulted the time-table and made a note of every train with a direct or indirect connection to France, Belgium, and other countries which was due to leave from the early part of the afternoon, and gave instructions that the greatest vigilance should be kept on all the passengers. To provide against the possibility of Munier stealing a march upon the detectives by leaving from any other station with the object of joining the train further down the line, Mr. Melville took the precaution to have men on the watch all over the Metropolis. He himself selected for observation the direct Continental train from Victoria. He went alone.

At Victoria, as at other stations, Mr. Melville is well known to all the official, and he is at liberty to move freely throughout the terminus without being challenged at the barriers. He paced the platform at which the train was drawn up. In the time the first passenger arrived, but in such a way as not to attract undue attention. Had he been asked half an hour before the train was due out whether he believed that he would effect a capture that night, he would probably have confessed to being far from sanguine, on account of the great cunning of which Munier was capable in eluding his pursuers. It was a bit of a surprise, therefore, when he caught sight of the long-lost and anxiously wanted individual making for the train. There was no mistaking him from the description he had received from the French police. The famous detective was anxious to create as little stir as possible in the actual arrest. His plan was to acquaint the man of his (Superintendent Melville's) identity, and ask him to accompany him quietly in a cab to Scotland Yard, "Munier, jecrois." Munier, who was about to enter the train, was obviously greatly taken aback at hearing his name mentioned, but he pretended not to understand, and said something about a mistake. The officer, however, was more convinced than ever that Munier it was, and disclosed his identity.

The man, realising that he had run his head into a noose this time, attempted to escape but Superintendent Melville caught him, and one of the most desperate struggles that ever an officer had with a prisoner followed. Munier made violent efforts to regain his liberty. He attacked Mr. Melville in the most savage way, and in the struggle the two fell to the floor. The detective was more powerfully built, but Munier seemed for the moment more than a match for the officer. They rolled over and over, now one on top, now the other. No one seems to have seen the encounter until the two were on the ground. The station officials, as soon as they realised what was going on, at once rushed to the detective's assistance. Munier was secured, and to paraphrase Scott, unwounded from that dreadful close, but breathless all, Melville arose. The man was handed over safely to the French authorities, and "Superintendent Melville was rewarded for his services by being made an officer of the Legion of Honour. Since then Mr. Melville has been the recipient of many decorations and gifts from Royalty and heads of States.

In the course of his career the great detective has been closely associated with France. During the Fenian outrages in the eighties and while he was as yet a detective-sergeant, he lived the best part of three years amongst our nearest neighbours. He was charged with the mission of watching the movements of the members of the Clan-na-Gael in France. His work was part of a gigantic spy system which Scotland Yard established in those troublous times. At every port in the United Kingdom detectives were stationed to shadow new arrivals of the gang, and in order that the arrangements for detection should be as complete as possible men were sent abroad to notify Scotland Yard of any departures for this country. His splendid work at that time signalled Mr. Melville out for promotion. With the retirement of Mr. Melville only one officer remains at Scotland Yard who took an active part in the Fenian scares—Detective Inspector Quinn, who is mentioned as Mr. Melville's successor.

STRANGE STORY OF A "GAINSBOROUGH."

A CRUDE DEFINITION OF AN EXPERT.

A STRANGE story was told before Mr. Justice Darling in an action brought by Messrs. Hammand and Van Baerle, dealers in pictures and antiquities, against Thomas Hailstone, Mrs. Hailstone to recover £113 upon a promissory note.

Mr. Frank Dodd, for the plaintiff, stated that Mr. Hailstone some time ago purchased in the Chancery Lane Auction Room a picture for £3 15s. He took it round to the plaintiffs and told them that it belonged to a Colonel Le Grice, who had come home from the war wounded only to die, and his executors had placed the picture in Hailstone's hands. The only foundation for the story appeared to be that Hailstone bought an old desk in which he found a card to the name of Colonel Le Grice.

Mr. Justice Darling: Who was supposed to have painted the picture?

Counsel said it was "attributed to Gainsborough," but experts were of opinion that it had been prepared in a Belgian factory.

Mr. Justice Darling: What is an "expert"?—Lord Russell has contributed a definition. He said an "expert" was a "superlative liar." (Laughter.)

Mr. Justice Darling: Oh! that is rather crude! (Laughter.)

An action was brought against Mr. Hailstone, and the jury found that by fraudulent representation the plaintiffs had been induced to buy the picture and to pay him £65. Following upon legal proceedings, Mr. and Mrs. Hailstone signed a joint and several promissory notes for £113, the joint debt and costs being £183, but Mr. Hailstone had paid £70.

The defence was that there was an undertaking to sell the picture for £30, and to give credit for that amount against the first instalment. Counsel further stated that authority was given to sell the picture for £30, and that an American dealer had seen it but had not bought it.

Mr. Justice Darling: Did the American want an ancestor made in Belgium?—He was a dealer, my lord, not a millionaire; and the ancestor's history might change wonderfully in crossing the Atlantic. (Laughter.) A voyage round the Cape has a marvellous effect on ancestors. What strikes me as odd is that anyone knowing all this should attempt to sell the picture for £30.

Mr. Dodd: It was an attractive picture to an innocent person.

His Lordship: But if you told the truth the picture was no longer innocent.

Mr. Dodd: It was to be sold without one word of commendation.

His Lordship gave judgment for the plaintiffs with costs.

THE WEATHER.

OBSERVATIONS TAKEN AT 8 A.M., ON FRIDAY, THE 4TH DECEMBER.

SUMMARY.

Pressure shows a brisk fall at Nezapatam, a brisk rise at Mulegaon and a slight rise or fall elsewhere. The barometer is from 02 to 10 of an inch below normall all over the country lying to the south of Latitude 16° and above it elsewhere.

Winds are apparently cyclonic in the extreme south-east of the Peninsula and north-easterly or south-easterly as most of the other reporting stations. The force has been fresh to strong at Dwarka, Jamnagar, Ratnagiri, Bangalore, Masulipatam, Madras and Negapatam.

Temperature.—The variations from normal are generally small. The maximum varied from 94° at Ratnagiri to 73° at Delhi, and the minimum from 76° at Nezapatam to 38° at Lahore.

Cloud and Humidity.—The sky is cloudy to overcast in the Madras Presidency and Mysore and on the Malabar Coast.

Rain.—About two inches and a half have been registered at Negapatam, about two inches at Madras about an inch and a quarter at Trichinopoly, and light to moderate showers at Bangalore and Coimbatore.

Weather.—A depression seems to exist to the south-east of Negapatam in the Bay. The weather in the Madras Presidency is in a very unsettled condition and strong squally winds with rain are likely. On the Malabar Coast and at and about Karwar, and Mormugao weather is likely to become unsettled.

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It is not too much to say that three days of the time of Mr. Justice Darling's court has been utterly wasted in the trial of the libel action brought by Meiklejohn, the ex-detective. How anyone could have imagined that so impudent a suit, which lacked even the support of the plaintiff's presence in the witness-box, could possibly have succeeded, we are at a loss to imagine. The Great Turf Fraud belongs to the history of crime, and is, in fact, one of the most remarkable examples known of a conspiracy between criminals and those appointed to bring them to justice. It would be absurd as well as dangerous to try to burke the record of it.

A gang of coiners, who have as yet evaded all efforts to detect them, are assiduously "working" South London Florins, as is usually the case, are the coins they have chosen to imitate, and the publicans are the most likely victims. There is very little difficulty in detecting bad money, if only people are on their guard, for apart from the defective weight, the greasy feel of the pewter imitation betrays it at once. Coiners almost always work in pairs. One keeps the bad money and hands single coins to his confederate to pass, in order that if the attempt is detected, no store of bad money shall be found upon him. As it is impossible to get a conviction unless more than one piece of bad silver is found, it is important to make an effort to capture the confederate whenever an attempt is detected.

The stock-in trade of the regular coiner is always kept wrapped up in tissue-paper to prevent the coins from rubbing against one another, and it is an understood thing that if the man with the "bank" is discovered he is, if possible, to swallow is before he arrives at the police-station. We remember one case in which a man bolted no fewer than eight half-crowns when he was arrested and, as might be expected, very nearly died as the result of his efforts to defeat the ends of justice. It is curious to observe that, though coining is a very favourite crime among the more intelligent class of criminal, 'sweating" of gold, which used to be so common a hundred years ago, seems almost to have died out.

Good progress is, it appears, being made with the scheme for an international institute for China, whose objects may be described as ethical and international, making its appeal particularly to the higher classes in China. The original idea was that the site of the institute should be in Peking, but as the hon. secretary of the British Committee points out, the events of 1900, and afterwards, seemed to point to Shanghai being a better location. The transference was, therefore, made, and a strong committee of leading Chinese and foreigners was constituted. The members have conferred with Mr. R. E. Bredon, Deputy Inspector-General of Chinese Customs, and others, and as a result, a plot of ground has been purchased within the limits of the French concession at Shanghai.

While Mr. Briton Riviere, R.A., agrees with all that has been said concerning the annoyance and danger caused by the traction engine and its trailers on the London streets, the distinguished artist not unnaturally views the matter from another point of view—the loss to the amenities of the metropolis if the horse is allowed gradually to disappear. This is a practical age, and we are afraid Mr. Briton Riviere's plea for a conservation of "the most beautiful from of traction in the world" will not have much effect if the horseless vehicle proves to be the most useful and economical for London traffic. The artist dwells on the influence constantly exercised upon us by the familiar presence in our midst of such a high type of form and vitality.

We are, he goes on to remark, "so accustomed to rub against this high type of animal life that we do not know its value, or how much our sum total of visible and tangible beauty would be diminished were this to be taken from us." And again: These beautiful creatures—for they are all beautiful in their own way, whether they belong to dray or carriage, cab or omnibus—bring us daily face to face with one of the most lovely of living forms, so lovely, indeed, that nature in its wildest and most inaccessible ranges can hardly surpass it.' All lovers of horses will read with sympathy and understanding Mr. Briton Riviere's long letter of artistic eulogy, and the only comforting thought is that, if the horse is finally to be denied the London streets, the time is not yet for many a year.

According to statistics for the ten months ended October last issued by the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries, this year compares unfavourably with 1902, both in regard to the quantity and value of the fish landed on the English and Welsh coasts. Quantity is given as 7,918,510cwts, against 8,050,234 in the ten months of last year, and the value is put at £4,967,636, compared with £5,279,508. So far as shell fish is concerned oysters show a falling-off due we imagine in no small degree to a decrease in demand. In 1902 the figure was 33,045,000; this year it is 19,595,000. Lobsters too are lower in quantity by more than half-a-million and some 400,000 fewer crabs have been landed this year.

It is scarcely to be wondered at that the Sentence of six months imprisonment passed on Lieutenant Bilse by the Metz Court should have created a sensation in Germany. Whether just or unjust, such a sentence seems unnecessarily severe for a libel the truth of which was admitted by the court. Probably it was felt that however much need there might be for reform in a regiment it was not the part of an officer in that regiment to bring it about by writing a satirical novel on the subject.

Some parts of Switzerland are experiencing snow storms and other rigours of winter to an extent unparalleled in living memory for the time of the year. In the valley of St. Nicholas several of the villages have been completely isolated for several days, trains have been unable to run for a whole day at a time, the fall of snow-avalanches is a thing of daily occurrence, blocking all the roads. This has been going on for a week past.

An interesting fact has just come to light concerning the French Naval shipbuilding programme for 1904. Only one large vessel is in the list, and that is to be an armoured cruiser, to supplement the five laid down under the programme of 1901. There are to be some departures, however, from the 1901 type, which sacrificed other considerations, and especially speed, to that of armour. The new cruiser, while maintaining the offensive power of the 1901 ships is to have greater speed, which will necessitate a displacement of about 14,700 tons, or 1,000 tons in excess of that of the (Suffren), the most powerful cruiser in the French fleet. There will be no medium vessels. For small craft £200,000 is allotted.

A lawsuit just decided against a French railway company will make English railway travellers sign for the public-spirited Briton who shall confer a similar benefit upon them. A passenger who found his compartment badly overcrowded brought an action for damages against the Western Company, which pleaded unforeseen emergency in a display of the Versailles fountains and the Longchamps Races. The judge, however, decided that no such plea could be entertained, inasmuch as the company had actually subscribed to the Versailles show, and could hardly be unaware of the race meeting. Damages five francs, and the fine of £4 10s. What would be the effect of such a decision on the morning train services of London?

The rupture between Rejane and her husband, M. Porel, has entered upon a regrettable phase. The popular manager, with divorce proceedings already in view, is now taking the step almost, comically impossible according to English notions, of suing his own wife for breach of contract. He claims £4,000 for her refusal to play in La Montansier. Rejane's case is that her husband has acted prematurely. She claims that she is under obligation to him to give 100 representations in two pieces selected by herself. Not until she has failed to give 100 performances, she contends, can any ground of action exist.

Gen. Begdanovich, of the Czar's personal suite, is now in Italy, and after a day or two in Rome, passed several more at Bari, where he evinced great interest in the shrine of St. Nicholas, and, the Rome correspondent of the "Newcastle Chronicle" says, is seriously alleged to have offered one million orubles, or about £120,000, for the body of the saint there preserved. While at Bari the General exchanged several dispatches with the Russian Ambassador in Rome and with St. Petersburg. It is believed that negotiations are again on foot for a visit by the Czar to Italy, probably next spring. The General says His Majesty will certainly visit Bari.

The outbreak among the Damaraland Bondelzwarts directs attention to the history of the Berg or mountain Damaras. The wildest nation regarding the rebels seem to prevail. The common impression is that they are Hottentots. Ethnologically, however, the Berg Damaras are not of the pure Hottentot or Khor Khoi family, and some observers even deny their general Bantu ancestry, regarding them as a seperate race more closely allied to the Negroids of Central and Eastern Africa. The Bondelzwarts have always been regarded as a peaceable hard-working set of people over whom the missionaries had a great deal of influence. They readily adopted European costume, and were most assiduous in attending service at the mission stations.

Professor Ray Lankster, the Director of the Natural History Museum at South Kensington, has just received a collection of specimens of the species of the tsetse fly known to science as glossina palpalis. Dr. Castellani and others have established beyond doubt the active association there is between it and the spread of that terrible malady, the sleeping sickness. This particular species, though its existence in Uganda has only been known within the last year or so, is said to be very common now in the fly belt round Lake Victoria. It is essentially a West African species, and is distinct from the species so destructive to animals.

TELEGRAMS to the Australian papers, dated London, 23rd ultimo, state that the Cuba-American Reciprocity Treaty will lose British trade two millions annually.

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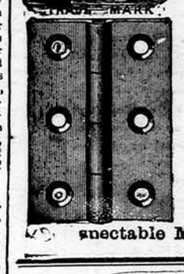

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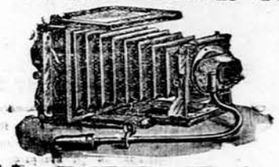

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M. A.P. IN THE GREEN ROOM.

THE mania for collecting theatrical post-cards has its complications, and one of the signs of this change for the worse is shown in a yearning among the stricken to receive through the post from popular actors and actresses, cards bearing not only their photographs but their signatures also. The new symptom means a particularly severe strain upon the leisure moments of Mr. Lewis Waller, but the penalties of fame must be philosophically borne, and the latest actor manager at Mrs. Langtry's beautiful Imperial has no intention of lodging a public protest against the fashion for Lewis Waller post-cards enriched with the Lewis Waller autograph. At a certain newsagent's in a particular suburb of London there is a larger demand for Mr. Lewis Waller (on post-cards) than for any other player, male or female. He is preferred in the picturesque costume of Monsieur Beaucaire but when the newsagent has run out of the Imperial romantic actor in this disguise, enthusiatic customers can always be persuaded to buy him as he appears standing majestically behind a bold sporting waistcoat known as a Tattersall, for which order of garment Mr. Lewis Waller, who loves a country life (having to lead a town one), entertains an unmistakable regard.

Mr. Lewis Waller should follow the example set by Miss Marie Tempest, and make his admirers pay a small fee for his signature, for the benefit of the Actors' Benevolent Fund. At Brighton last week, Miss Tempest, who will shortly depart for America with her husband, Mr. Cosmo Gordon Lennox, had no less than fifty requests for her autograph, and in complying with all of them, did so only on condition that the transactions should not be of the "something for nothing" kind. In this way the popular heroine of the Marriage of Kitty was able to make the Actors' Benevolent Fund the richer by a substantial sum of money, a pretty fan, a tablecloth, and some books. If all actors and actresses were to do as Miss Marie Tempest does while the fashion for autograph portrait post-cards lasts, the Actors, Benevolent Fund would, in all probability, become one of the richest charity organisations in the world. And when in consequence it was summer time once again for the distressed of the profession, there would be no lack of fans for tempering the unaccustomed sunshine, no dearth of tablecloths for the improved supply of food and no need for a Carnegie library.

The opening of Mr. Lewis Waller's season at the Imperial was graced by the presence of the Prince and Princess of Wales, and the entire receipts for the evening were handed over to King Edward's Hospital Fund. And this was not the only suggestion of Royal and Imperial reciprocity which has lately been attached to the successful career of Monsieur Beaucaire, for it must not be forgotten that there has been a private performance of this most attractive play by command of his Majesty the King, and that such performances always mean jewelled scarfpins for the actors and handsome brooches for the actresses, to say nothing of priceless advertisements for the play selected for the honour of a royal audience. So no wonder the idol of the matinee girl has been treading the Imperial stage during the week with even more than his wonted vigour and dash and mainly confidence and giving way to no anxiety regarding a step that is bolder still—i.e. the taking of a theatre which has hitherto proved so unprofitable to all but its distinguished proprietress, Mrs. Langtry.

The well-known dancer, Miss Ida Fuller (who was one of the first of the serpentine ladies so popular a few years ago), and a Mrs. Andrew Handy, another expert at tripping with what under the special circumstances may be called the coloured light fantastic toe have been fighting for flames in the Chancery Division of the Royal Courts of Justice. And in referring to this action, which was appropriately heard before Mr. Justice Byrne, and in which Miss Fuller sought to restrain Mrs. Hardy from infringing an apparatus which she used to simulate tongues of flames around her when dancing," a reader of "M. A. P." draws my attention to my own description of the flames in dispute, which appeared in the "Green Room" columns six months ago.

Speaking of the ("Fiery Graves") scene in the Drury Lane production of Dante, I appear to have said "Flames on the stage are no longer represented by flaring outbursts of red fire and wandering clouds of steam. These irritatingly unreal stage flames, so humorously suggestive of a combination of Guy Fawkes Day and washing day, have apparently been completely quenched by an invention which has lately been seen in operation at other theatres besides Drury Lane. . . . Powerful shafts of light are thrown upward from openings in the stage, and with them are blown, by means of electric revolving fans, captive strips of the thinnest flame-coloured silk. Curling and swaying and trembling upward in the strong draught and the powerful light, these strips of silk, which are of various lengths, present the best imitation of fire that could possibly be devised and residents in the Inferno will recommend them to stage-managers, not only on the strength of their realistic qualities, but also for the reason that they are cool, clean, and perfectly harmless." Miss Ida Fuller lost her case by reason of her (Something new in flames) having been used before, and in offering her, impartially, sympathy in her defeat, and Mrs. Handy congratulations upon her victory my corresspondent is good enough to say (and I pass the hint on to clever Miss Fuller with my respectful compliments) that if the plaintiff had only read her "M. A. P." properly she would never have had to pay a large price for nothing at the Law Shop.

Mr. Justin Huntly M'Carthy's new play. The Proud Prince which has just been produced at the Herald Square Theatre, in New York, is providing Mr. E. H. Sothern (whose leading lady, by the way, is Miss Cecilia Loftus) with the opportunity of distinguishing himself both as an actor and a quick change artiste. Here are some communications which are perhaps more reminiscent of Richard Mansfield in Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde than of Fregoli in lightning sketches In the startlingly impressive scene of the miracle Mr Sothern, as Robert of Sicily is transformed in full view of the audience from the smooth-faced King in his royal gown to the bearded Court fool in his fantastic finery, the change being in some way effected while the actor lies prostrate on the stage, the moonlight (or its somewhat green representative) streaming down upon him, the lightning playing around him, and the Archangel with flaming sword heaping the curse of Heaven upon his grovelling body. When he turns to the audience the proud King of a few moments before is seen with a shock of wild dishevelled hair, both on his face, and his head with crooked and quivering limbs, and with his fool's motley hanging in rags about him.

In the last act Mr. Sothern makes no less than four changes of costume without leaving the stage. First he is a white-gowned friar; then he appears in a complete suit of armour; from this he changes to his fools motley; and, finally he is seen in the full regalia of the resplendent smooth-faced king. That these changes may be made in the quickest possible manner, Mr. Sothern employs four dressers to help him; and these men are placed at four different points of the stage, where they are hidden from the audience and where they stand or sit or crouch according to the accommodation provided by their various situations with the changes of apparel held ready in their hands, to throw over the actor as he scrambles out of the other disguises. His last change from fool to king, is made while the people in the street are mobbing him, the dresser who assists him here being got up as one of the crowd. It is all done so well. I am told, that it is impossible to detect the process of changing even from the side of the gallery. Mr. Sothern and Miss Loftus have made a great hit between them in Mr. M'Carthy's highly dramatic play, and it is on this account, as well as for the reason that The Proud Prince is evidently a thoroughly interesting drama, that I feel specially pleased at being privileged to make the first announcement of Mr. Sothern's intention to bring the whole bag of tricks to London in 1904.

By the way, on Friday next, Mr. Sothern will find his knowledge of the art of quick-change coming in particularly handy, for at the new Lyceum Theatre, New York, on that day, the actor will appear in no less than ten plays. There will be an act given from each of the pieces in which Mr. Sothern has appeared in the past under Mr. Daniel Frohman's management at the old Lyceum, and in some of the later productions of the series Mr. Sothern will have Miss Loftus at the head of his support. It is announced that the tenplays feat will be performed for the benefit of the Actors Home. It will certainly not be for the benfit of Mr. Sothern's health.

Miss Lucy Webling, who represents such a large portion of the brightness which stamps the entertainment now being given daily at the Queen's Hall by our clever friends the "Follies," is the younger sister of Josephine, Rosalind and Peggy Webling who some years ago were very well known as dramatic reciters, and whose characteristic profiles, photographed all in a row on one card were common objects of the shop windows during their numerous seasons at the Steinway Hall. The Weblings always reminded me of the Harraden girls to give the neighbourhood title to the talented Hempstead family which included the author (Beatrice Harraden of the splendid human book, Ships That Pass in the Night. There were the same airs and actions of independence about them and both sets of girls—if I may be allowed the chinaware expression—were literary, musical and generally artistic, and dressed alike, and belonged to the atmosphere of æstheticism which at the time they were working their early way in the world was a very strong atmosphere indeed, the rage for Kate Greenaway being then in the ascendant.

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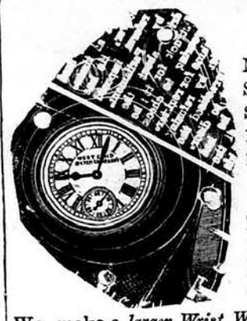

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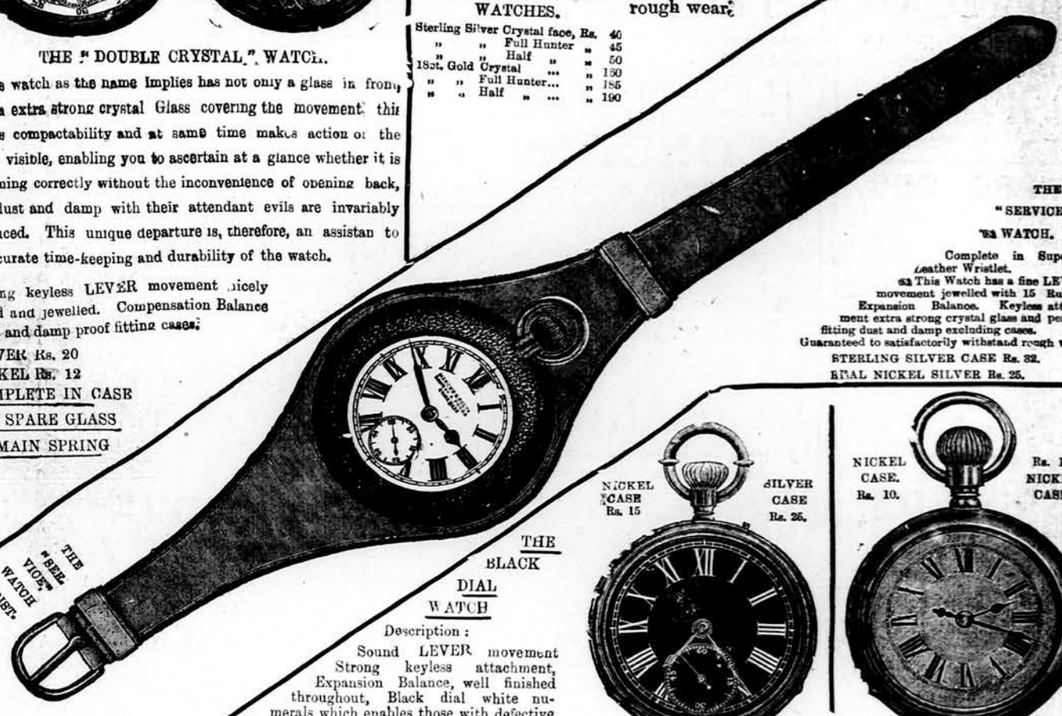

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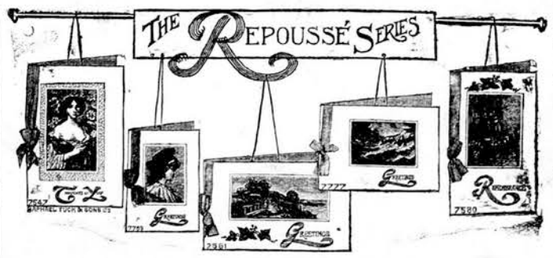

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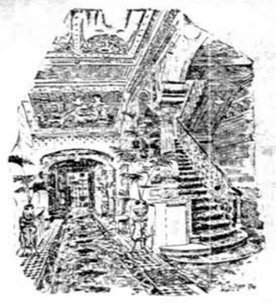

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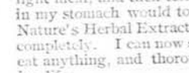
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